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—MOLOTOV— INVITED TO LONDON

Paris, To-day.
The British Government is about to invite the Soviet Russian Foreign Commissar, M. Molotov, or the Assistant Foreign Commissar to London for negotiations on London-Moscow pact, according to the "Sunday Journal".

The paper is uncertain whether their visit will take place during or after the meeting of the Geneva councils.—Trans-Ocean.

Direct Threat To Shanghai

Tokyo, To-day.
"WITH Britain and the United States assuming an obstinate attitude," Mr. H. Arita, the Foreign Minister, has made a final decision to take fundamental and strong measures for the solution of the issues involving the International Settlement of Shanghai, according to the "Yomiuri Shimbun."

In this connection, the newspaper asserts that Mr. Arita, and Mr. Y. Miura, the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai who is now here for consultations, will hold an important conference this afternoon.

In an editorial, the "Yomiuri Shimbun" declares that the "Japanese Government now holds the

Claims Made To Cover Heavy Losses

Chungking, To-day.

Japanese claims that more than 20 Chinese Divisions have been trapped in Central Hupeh and are facing annihilation are now declared to be entirely groundless by Chinese military spokesmen. They add that China's well-wishers need have no cause for anxiety.

The battle-area in question is about 100 kilometres wide and 170 kilometres long and lies in very rough country with high mountain ranges and deep ravines. It would be an expensive area to take tanks to the difficult terrain and the claims of the Japanese military are obviously extravagant as they have too few troops for any attempt to surround the large Chinese forces.

HEAVY LOSSES

Actually, the Chinese spokesmen continued, the Japanese have suffered considerable losses on the Central Hupeh front.

The Japanese right-wing lost a thousand killed and a Japanese division in the centre was decimated, while the much-advertized Horiuchi detachment on the left wing was checked, its Chief of Staff being killed in action.

ANOTHER RAID

Three Japanese aeroplanes which bombed Chungking on Saturday caused a dozen fires in the suburban residential area. The number of number of casualties is not yet ascertainable.—Trans-Ocean.

conclusive view that no half-hearted measures will solve the International Settlement issue and feels the necessity for carrying out a surgical operation." — Reuter.

12,500 JAP. CASUALTIES

Chungking, To-day.

Various sources report heavy fighting in the Hupeh region.

The Chinese claim to have recaptured Wamiaochi, south of Kinshan, but simultaneously admit the loss of other places.

The Japanese losses in Hupeh between May 2 and 12 are estimated by the Chinese at between 12,500 and 12,800 officers and men.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE CLAIMS

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese fliers, according to Japanese figures, dropped 250 tons of bombs in over 200 flights during the recent operations east of Hankow.

Czech Rioting At Brno

London, To-day.

THE Prague correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" states that anti-German demonstrations continue to be reported from various parts of Bohemia and Moravia.

Owing to the strict censorship, the news has often reached Prague only after long delay.

It is now known, for instance, that there was extensive rioting at Brno on May 1.

It is stated that German soldiers and Nazi guards were compelled to charge the hostile crowds with fixed bayonets.—Router.

The objectives were in most cases Chinese troop detachments. Numerous highways were damaged by bombs, 800 junks were sunk and 130 lorries destroyed.—Trans-Ocean.

WHEN DAY OF RECKONING COMES

Berlin, To-day.

"Mussolini has defined the unity of political aims, the unity of the political struggle and what is apparently not always the case among friendly States—complete unity in attitude towards every single tactical measure of the opponents of the totalitarian States." — writes the Berlin organ, "Montag," summing up German impressions of the French attack.

Referring to Il Duce's declaration that Germany and Italy constitute a unified bloc of 150 millions, the paper says that this is the power with which the democracies will one day have to reckon.

"It is up to them to decide when the day of reckoning has come. They may decide to recognise this power voluntarily, or they can wait till they are compelled to recognise it." — Trans-Ocean.

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KING AND QUEEN AS THE GUESTS OF CANADA

Great Gathering At Quebec

Ottawa, To-day.

The King and Queen will be the guests of the Canadian Government at luncheon on their arrival in Quebec, the Government thus being host to their Majesties at their first meal in Canada.

The occasion will be unique not only because of their Majesties' presence, but also because, for the first time in history, all members of the King's Privy Council for Canada, both in and out of office, will be brought together.

The oldest Privy Councillor to be present will be Sir William Mulock, who is 85 and was sworn as a member in 1896.

There are 90 members of the Privy Council in Canada. The Duke of Windsor and Earl Baldwin are members, but are unlikely to be in Canada at the time.

OTTAWA VISIT

Further details of their Majesties' stay in Ottawa have been issued. The Governor-General and Lady Tweedsmuir will greet the King and Queen on their arrival. Assembled on the platform will be members of the Cabinet, Speakers of the Senate and House of Commons, local Members of Parliament, the Mayor and the Council. A salute of 21 guns will be fired. The procession along the eight-mile route to Government House will consist of eight motor-cars, not including the police and pilot cars.

STATE DINNER

Their Majesties will lunch privately at Government House. In the evening Lord Tweedsmuir will give a State dinner at Government House and the guests will comprise the King and Queen and Ladies and Gentlemen in Attendance; the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, heads of diplomatic missions representatives of the churches, members of the Cabinet, the British High Commissioner, and a representative of the Union of South Africa, the Chief Justice of Canada, former Prime Ministers, Leaders of the Opposition in the Senate and the Commons, the Speakers of the Senate and the Commons, the Mayor of Ottawa.

After dinner a reception will be given at which additional guests will attend.

The King has consented to grant audiences to heads of diplomatic missions the next morning, followed later by a reception to the Press.

At 3 p.m. he will unveil the National Memorial in Connought-place and at night the King and Queen will honour the Government by attending the Parliamentary dinner to which members of the Senate and the Commons and their wives will be invited.

MAY PROROGUE PARLIAMENT
The Queen will lay the corner stone of the Supreme Court the next morning at 11 o'clock, and during the afternoon the King will prorogue Parliament if the session can be concluded.

If prorogation is impossible, the King will give his Royal Assent to certain Bills. It is expected that the United States-Canadian trade measure will be one of the

May 20 will be celebrated as the King's birthday. In the morning the King will present at the Trooping the Colour ceremony on Parliament Hill. Later their Majesties will lunch privately with the Prime Minister at his residence, Laurier House. In the afternoon there will be a great garden party at Government House.

MEATLESS DAYS IN CHINESE RESTAURANTS

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

CHINESE RESTAURANTS YESTERDAY ANNOUNCED THAT MEAT-DISHES HAVE BEEN TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.

Since last Wednesday, Chinese restaurants and butchers have refused to deal with the Japanese monopolised Shanghai Livestock Dealers' Association, and yesterday all reserve supplies in restaurants were used up.—Our Own Correspondent.

ARMY AND PRESS

"A healthy publicity about Army matters can be of the utmost value," said Major-Gen. J. H. Beith, Public Relations Officer at the War Office, in a lecture to the Institute of Journalists in London.

"It keeps the Army up to its work and enables public opinion to decide when a military policy is wrong in itself and when an otherwise sound policy is being bungled," he went on. "British public opinion has an odd habit of being right on those occasions."

"The official attitude ought to be one of complete frankness—of saying to the Press: 'Here are the cards on the table. Here is the entire situation. You will see that to make public the whole of that situation would be highly dangerous. We ask you to exercise discrimination in what you publish, and even to be prepared, without question and at a word from us, to refrain from comment on a particular event or service.'"

"That is what is known as a gentleman's agreement. That is the policy I have advocated since I came to the War Office six months ago. Never once have I had cause to re-

SUEZ CANAL DEFENCES

It is possible that work on the barracks in the Suez Canal zone will be interrupted.

The reason given is that such work is of secondary importance compared with other military work.

The preparations for aerodromes will, however, continue.

SECOND SINGAPORE AT SYDNEY?

London, To-day.

SIR Leopold Savile, who was responsible for the design and construction of the naval base and dock-yard at Singapore, is joining the liner Orontes at Naples on May 28, bound for Australia, where he is to discuss with Australian Government officials the proposed building of a new dry-dock.

There have been reports that a second "Singapore" might be constructed at Sydney. — Reuter.

NUDE DANCE EXPRESSES JAPAN AMITY

COMES NOW THE STARTLING PICTURE OF THE CHIEF OF THE INFORMATION BUREAU OF THE JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE DANCING STARK NAKED BEFORE A COMPANY OF CHINESE AT A RECENT BANQUET IN SHANGHAI.

No, it isn't a bit of anti-Japanese propaganda, aimed at the dignity of the chief of the Information Bureau of the Japanese-Foreign Office, who formerly was Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai.

The picture is presented by no less a staunch Japanese organ than the newspaper Kokumin of Tokyo, which commented, in its account of the amazing scene, that during Mr. Kawai's residence here he impressed Chinese friends and others greatly by advocating the holding of Sino-Japanese joint memorial service for the war dead of the two countries.

The Kokumin tells the story of the dance naively but graphically: "The other day when Mr. Kawai went to Shanghai his Chinese friends gave a dinner in his honour. On this occasion, Mr. Kawai declared:

"In order to effect East Asiatic co-ordinations, Japan and China must be naked in their minds."

"So declaring, Mr. Kawai stripped himself completely of his clothes and gave a naked dance in front of his Chinese hosts. The stunt drew

MIURA'S TOKYO TRIP EVOKES COMMENT

Chungking, To-day.

Whether the current situation in the International Settlement in Shanghai will enter a more serious stage will depend on the outcome of the return to Japan of the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Y. Miura, according to a Shanghai report quoting reliable quarters, who believe that the Japanese Consul-General's trip is connected with the Settlement issue.

Closer co-operation between the Settlement and French Concession authorities has been carried out since the kidnapping by Japanese of five Chinese in a restaurant a few days ago.

The police of the foreign-administered areas have tightened up the searching of pedestrians and vehicles in order to prevent a recurrence.

The Shanghai Volunteer Corps is co-operating with the British and American defence forces.

According to a Chinese member of the Shanghai Municipal Council, the situation has not yet reached a serious stage although tension prevails.

He revealed that the Ratepayers' Association will ask the Council to lodge a protest with the Japanese in connection with the kidnapping of the five Chinese and to demand guarantees of their safety. — Central News.

GERMANY NOW ANNEXED BY 'KING ANTHONY'

London, May 5.

London chuckled to-day as Anthony Hall, self-proclaimed "King of England," issued another of his famous manifestos, this time proclaiming himself the Emperor of the "Western Empire," including Britain and Germany.

He issued his proclamation printed on his usual neat pamphlets.

"King Anthony," in proclaiming himself Emperor of the "Western Empire," assumed the titles the Kaiser relinquished in 1918.

The self-proclaimed pretender to the throne of Great Britain has from time to time issued pamphlets bearing the imprint of the Tudor rose and which carry a genealogical tree, purporting to show descent of the Tudors, "Stewarts," Erskines, Guelphs and Wettins. At the bottom of the Tudor branch figures "Anthony Tudor, (King Anthony), born 1888." It is noteworthy he puts his kingly title in quotes.

and since then Mr. Kawai's popularity with the Chinese has been

Defence Chief's Objections To Deep Air Raid Shelters

Big Crowds As Bomb Targets

Sir John Anderson's reasons for rejecting Finsbury Borough Council's plan to construct deep air-raid shelters for its entire day population of 142,000, at a cost of £1,387,000, has been published.

Writing to the Town Clerk of Finsbury, Mr. J. E. Arnold James, Sir John Anderson says:

A shelter, however strongly protected, is of no value to those who cannot or do not reach it.

On any probable view of the conditions of an actual air raid there would not be any real prospect that the inhabitants of the borough as a whole would succeed within the warning period in gaining access to the proposed shelters.

The distance which would have to be covered, the scale upon which the entrances are conceived, and the actual form which the shelters take afford little hope that more than a proportion would secure cover before the end of the warning period.

Suitability of the shelter cannot be judged only upon the safety which it would afford to those who are in it. It is of equal importance that the persons for whom it is intended should be able to reach and enter it.

EXPERTS' CRITICISMS

Sir John Anderson adds that the report of consulting engineers of high standing is unfavourable to the scheme.

A copy of this report, signed by Mr. David Anderson, Mr. B. L. Hurst and the late Mr. H. Japp, is enclosed with the letter. They admit the ingenuity of the scheme, but offer the following objections:

It collects a very large number of people in one spot (in one case, Finsbury-square, 12,359), and any such large concentration would probably form a definite target for bombs.

Although we understand that this structure has been designed to withstand general purpose bombs

of 10cwt each, we do not feel that it could be guaranteed to resist them.

Such a large-scale shelter would have streams of people running towards it from all directions.

Only two entrances have been provided for an average influx of 30-40 people per second. When an air raid is imminent crushing and panic would be likely.

The assumed rate of entry is nearly three times that permitted by the L.C.C. theatre regulations, and twice the maximum observed by the L.P.T.B. at station entrances.

FINSBURY MAYOR'S REPLY

Dr. C. L. Katial, Mayor of Finsbury, told a reporter that the Council's experts would immediately examine Sir John Anderson's letter, and a reply might be sent.

Many of the objections raised, he said, could be answered, and were not conclusive.

"We had intended, for instance, to allocate every person in the borough to shelters, which would overcome one of the major criticisms made," Mr. Katial continued.

"I am convinced, moreover, that by zoning the shelters safety for all concerned could be obtained within the period of warning given. Our entrance ramps were to be 20ft. wide — surely no comparison with L.C.C. theatre regulations.

"Sir John Anderson refers to his experts of high standing. But he has no monopoly of experts. Our technical engineers have not overlooked the difficulties."

MASKED GERMAN'S WARNING

"Britain Must Be Ready"

A masked German who addressed an anti-German meeting in a hall in Bedford-street, Liverpool, attracted such a large audience that windows behind the platform were opened to allow the crowd who stood outside to hear him.

Speaking in broken English, he referred to food difficulties in Germany, attacks on British colonial policy, the desire for European power of Nazi leaders, and the love of the mass of the German people for peace.

"Although no one wants war Britain must be ready," he concluded. "Until you are free from Hitler you will have no happiness."

The speaker who came to England from Germany a month ago, is stated to wear a mask to avoid recognition, as he fears for the safety of his parents in Germany.

TORNADO LIFTS CHURCH AND CONGREGATION

Lifted bodily into the air by a whirlwind, a church at Center-point, Arkansas, U.S., was carried several hundred yards with the congregation inside. Sixteen bodies have been recovered.

A tornado cut through an area six miles long, swept the small community away and left, according to an eye-witness, "nothing but a hole in the ground."

MISS SERGEANT (RECRUITING)

Wimbledon is to enlist a band of pretty girls to act as recruiting sergeants for National Service during the Wimbledon Tennis Fort-night this summer.

They will have a special stand at the Wimbledon Stadium during the tattoo there.

All those going in to see the tattoo will get a leaflet — and a smile. When they leave they will be invited to leave their names and addresses.

"We have not decided how we shall choose the girls, or whether they will wear uniform or summer frocks," said one of the tattoo officials.

100 NEW BOMBERS FOR R.A.F.

A hundred Hampden bombers have now been delivered to R.A.F. service squadrons. Although production of these machines did not begin until last August, work on the second 100 is already well advanced at the Handley Page works.

The Hampden is a fast, long-range bomber, powered with two Bristol "Pegasus XVIII" nine-cylinder radial engines. It has three gunners' cockpits, one in the nose and one above and one below the rear part of the fuselage.

It is equipped with the latest Handley Page slot system, including wing-tip slots and hydraulically operated trailing edge flaps.

14 KILLED IN FIGHT IN MEXICO

Mexico City, May 7.

Fourteen peasants and gendarmes were killed and about one hundred injured during a severe clash near Puebla last night between 600 peasants and 20 policemen.

The policemen were called to compel the peasants to leave a hacienda which they had occupied, ousting the owners.

When it seemed that the outnumbered policemen would be massacred, a battalion of troops appeared on the scene and dispersed the peasants. Three hundred of the latter were arrested.

SHIPPING IMPERILLED IN SWATOW RAID

Swatow, To-day.

Thirty-five persons were killed and wounded in the course of the two air-raids carried out by Japanese planes yesterday.

Some 30 houses were demolished. The waterfront of the city was also bombed and machine-gunned during the second raid in the afternoon. Eight coolies were wounded.

Machine-gun bullets also struck the s.s. Haitan and the s.s. Sun Hai Mun, but none of the crew were hit.

Jardine property was showered with shrapnel and a bomb fell 200 yards west of the Jardine office. Their property was machine-gunned and coolies killed or wounded. H.M.S. Folkestone had a narrow escape from machine-gunning. — Reuter and Our Own Correspondent.

CHANGCHOW RAID


Swatow, To-day.

Messages from Foochow last night state that Changchow was severely bombed during the weekend. Some 50 bombs were dropped in the city, killing and wounding over 100 civilians, and damaging 80 dwellings. — Our Own Correspondent.

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**SAME OLD JIBE
TO SAEM OLD
TUNE**

Milan, To-day.

"Stampa" declares that the Anglo-Turkish Agreement has, as its only object, an increase of British influence over the Dardanelles as well as Gibraltar and Suez.

"Gazetta del Popolo" states that the question arises whether Turkey was not given added inducement to sign the agreement in the form of a loan.

The paper concludes: Formerly it was the custom to purchase mercenaries to fight one's battles, but to-day States are bought by loans camouflaged under such attractive names as "guarantee," "freedom," "resistance to aggression." — Trans-Ocean.

**AXIS TALK OVER
COLONIES**

Munich, To-day.

At a Colonial Law Congress held here in the Academy of German Law yesterday, speakers included Dr. Frank, Ritter von Epp and the Chief of Cabinet in the Italian Ministry of Colonies, Dr. Meregazzi.

Dr. Meregazzi, outlining Italian colonial policy, stated that Italian colonies were not dependent on the mother country, but bound to her by higher cultural ideals! A point was made in Italian policy maintaining and developing local customs and religion.

Ritter von Epp declared that Germany's weapon in her colonial struggle was justice, but as an upholder of justice, the Reich also required power, since Germans had come to realise clearly that the Reich will receive justice only in proportion to her power. — Trans-Ocean.

**TOOK MASTER'S
MONEY BOX**

Disappearing from work and taking his master's money box with him, Ko Yip Ho, youthful foki, appeared this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth on a charge of larceny.

Inspector Rogers prosecuting, said that when accused was arrested, it was found that he had bought new shoes, clothes, and had his teeth attended to along with other things.

Defendant was placed on a \$50 bond for one year, and ordered to compensate the master of the ship, in the sum of \$41 or serve a month's hard labour.

**AXE ATTACK
SENTENCE**

Having given himself up to the police after attacking his wife's paramour with an axe, Yim Chung-mau, 37, was sent to prison for six months by Mr. Macfadyen this morning.

It was stated that accused's wife had since absconded.

In imposing sentence, Mr. Macfadyen said that although the reason for the attack had to be taken into consideration, he could not

**THE HEIGHT OF
IMPERTINENCE**

Presenting as evidence for the prosecution a back covered by four livid welts, a 17 year old dock hand secured for the prosecution, a conviction against Chan Tak-Chow, tea shop master, who appeared before Mr. E. Himsworth this morning charged with assault.

Defendant said he had been very patient with the lad who had the habit of coming to his shop and eating without paying. The lad had achieved the height of impertinence, when he had brought in three friends and then failed to pay. He had struck him with the featherduster he had been using, to clean his shop with.

Defendant was bound over and ordered to pay \$1 compensation.

**FIANCE, A GIRL
AND BOY FRIEND**

After spending her fiancée's money with a boy friend, a young woman reported that it was taken from her by two armed robbers.

In consequence, she was charged at Kowloon this morning with giving false information.

According to the prosecution, the girl, Tsang Sin-yu, at 9.30 p.m. on Friday last, reported an armed highway robbery in King's Terrace, in which \$12.50 and a wrist watch were taken away.

She was, however, closely questioned by Detective Chief Inspector A. E. Carey, who found it was a false report.

The money was collected by her on her fiancée's behalf from his students as school-fees.

She was placed on a \$25 bond and ordered to pay \$10 police costs.

**SLOVAK ARMY ON
PARADE**

Bratislava, To-day.

The first major parade of the Slovak Defence Forces took place here yesterday in the presence of members of the Government, the Diplomatic Corps and the Chief of the German Military Mission, Lieutenant-General Bachhausen.

Two Infantry Regiments, one Engineering Regiment, one Cavalry Regiment, Detachments of Motorised Units, armoured cars, light and heavy anti-aircraft artillery, motorised machineguns and searchlight detachments participated. Three hundred members of the Hlinka Guards and Costume Groups followed the troops. — Trans-Ocean.

**WAR MINISTER OFF
TO PARIS**

Paris, To-day.

General Kasprzycki, Polish War Minister, left Warsaw last evening for "an unofficial visit to Paris." — Trans-Ocean.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on Lay Kwong, 17, by Mr. T. J. Houston this morning for the theft of \$800 from the counter of No. 22 Des-

"WE STILL HAVE OUR FREEDOM" SAYS THE U.S. AMBASSADOR

Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the American Ambassador, on receiving the freedom of the City of Edinburgh, urged his hearers in the present troublous times to take stock of their blessings.

"It may be that we have talked too much about international relationships," he said. "It seems that every time I meet somebody now we spend all our time discussing the terrible state of the world and the disaster hanging over our heads."

"Nevertheless, I sometimes wonder if, in our concern over the possibility of war, we have not lost sight of some of the blessings which we still enjoy. It might be a good idea, at this time, if we were to take stock of those blessings."

We still had peace—technically at least, though open warfare raged in one country at least and covert warfare burned fitfully beneath the surface of international relationships. Trade was slowly being strangled, and ill-will, which it would take generations to eradicate, was being recklessly engendered.

WAR NOT INEVITABLE

Without minimising the tragedy of it all, the fatal step leading to a general war had thus far been avoided. Perhaps never in history had nations been so long a time without coming to open conflict. That, it seemed to him, was the most hopeful aspect of the whole situation. War was the work of men, and, being the work of men, was not inevitable.

"There is plenty of evidence to show that those on whom the final decision rests are fully alive to the consequences that would devolve, not only upon those who did the actual fighting, but upon the civil population, and, in the final analysis, upon the foundations of civilisation itself."

"Therefore, I repeat, the fact that we have been able to escape war thus far should encourage us to hope that, somehow, we shall be able to win through to a just and durable peace."

We still had our freedom. We could still read our newspaper, listen to the radio programmes we enjoyed, say what we liked, worship as we pleased, assemble and petition the Government for redress of our grievance. Workers had the right to quit work.

"These are important things in the life of a free country," Mr. Kennedy declared. "The people of other lands may see fit to yield their liberties. We should be grateful that we are still able to retain the way of life which we have found, after centuries of experi-

ence, to be the most suitable for us."

FAITH AND LOVE

We still had faith. The blacker the road the more we should need it. The tragedies of 2,000 years had not dimmed the desire of man for a better way of life. Cynics might say that man had not found a better way of life.

"I find consolation in the fact that we are still trying to find it," he said.

We still had love. A thousand years of disaster could not destroy that price attribute of the human soul. The future of our loved ones might be beset with uncertainties and danger. That of course meant only that we should love them the more.

We still had compassion—the priceless gift of human sympathy which found expression in innumerable acts of kindness and helpfulness all the world over. We still had friendship—loyalty to jobs and employers and associates, loyalty to country. We still had hospitality. We still had ambition—that which urged each of us to make the most of his life.

We still had ability. There was no limit to the things that could flow from the creative will of man, to the enrichment of life that our scientists, engineers, and skilled workers in every line could provide. We still had knowledge, and were the inheritors of the wisdom of the ages.

COURAGE EVERYWHERE

We still had courage. "Everywhere," Mr. Kennedy said, "I encounter people going forward with vigour and determination to the completion of their appointed tasks. The calm courage with which people are going about their business is, to me, one of the most hopeful aspects of the present situation."

Finally, we still had the will to serve. He instanced Lister's fight for the acceptance of antiseptics against ignorance, prejudice and inertia.

"The present, like the past," Mr. Kennedy concluded, "is a picture of many colours. It behoves us not to underestimate the dangers with which we are confronted. At the same time let us not lose sight of the eternal verities, timeless and indestructible, which are with us yet."

Before he went to the Usher Hall to receive the freedom, the degree of Doctor of Laws of Edinburgh University was conferred upon the Ambassador.

LONDON BOMB EXPLOSIONS

London, To-day. Three more bomb explosions are reported to have occurred on Saturday evening in public lavatories at the Marble Arch in the Edgware Road and at Hammer-smith. A certain amount of material damage was done, but no one was hurt.

The police found no traces of the perpetrators, but believe Irish extremists were responsible. —*Trans-Ocean.*

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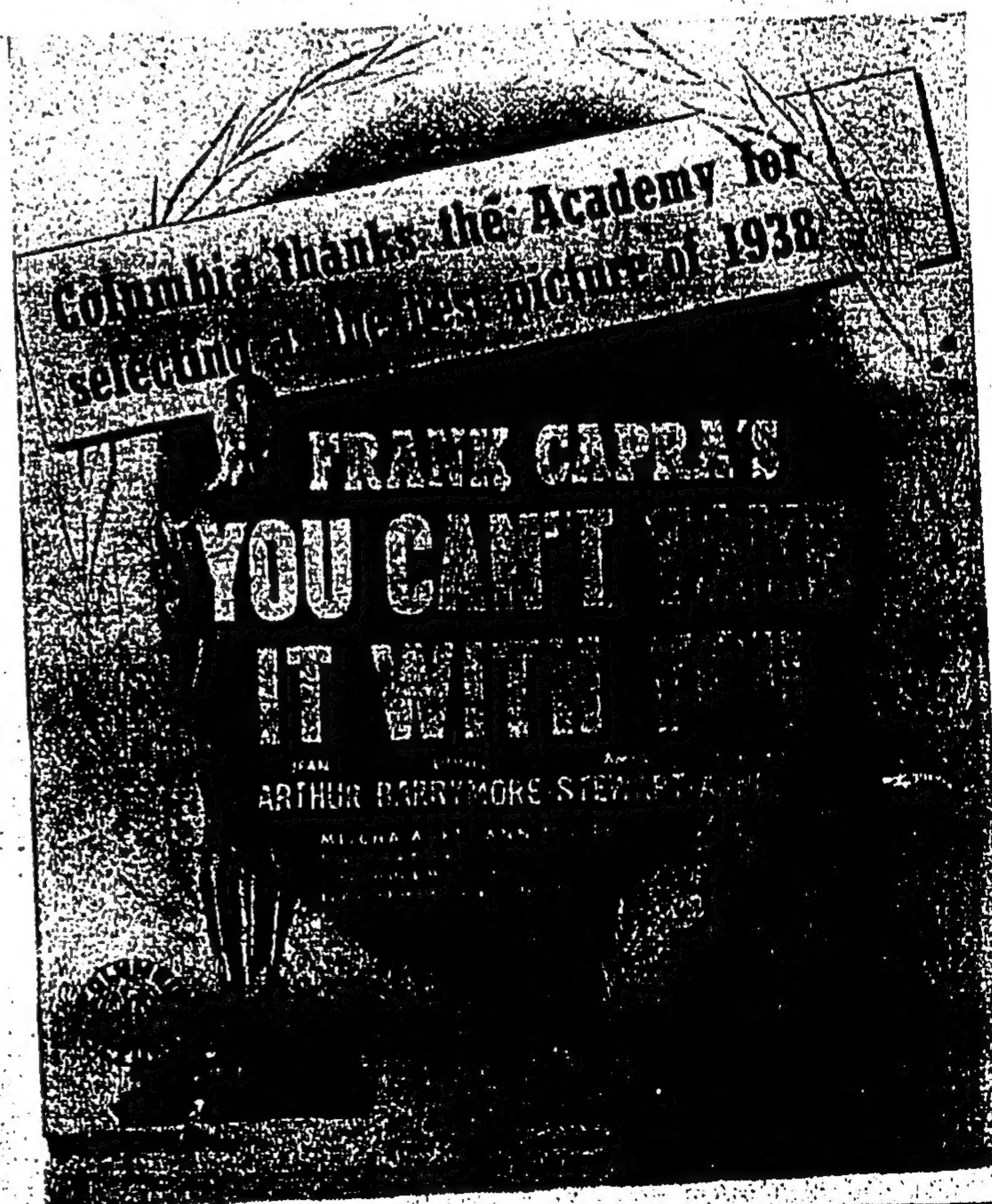
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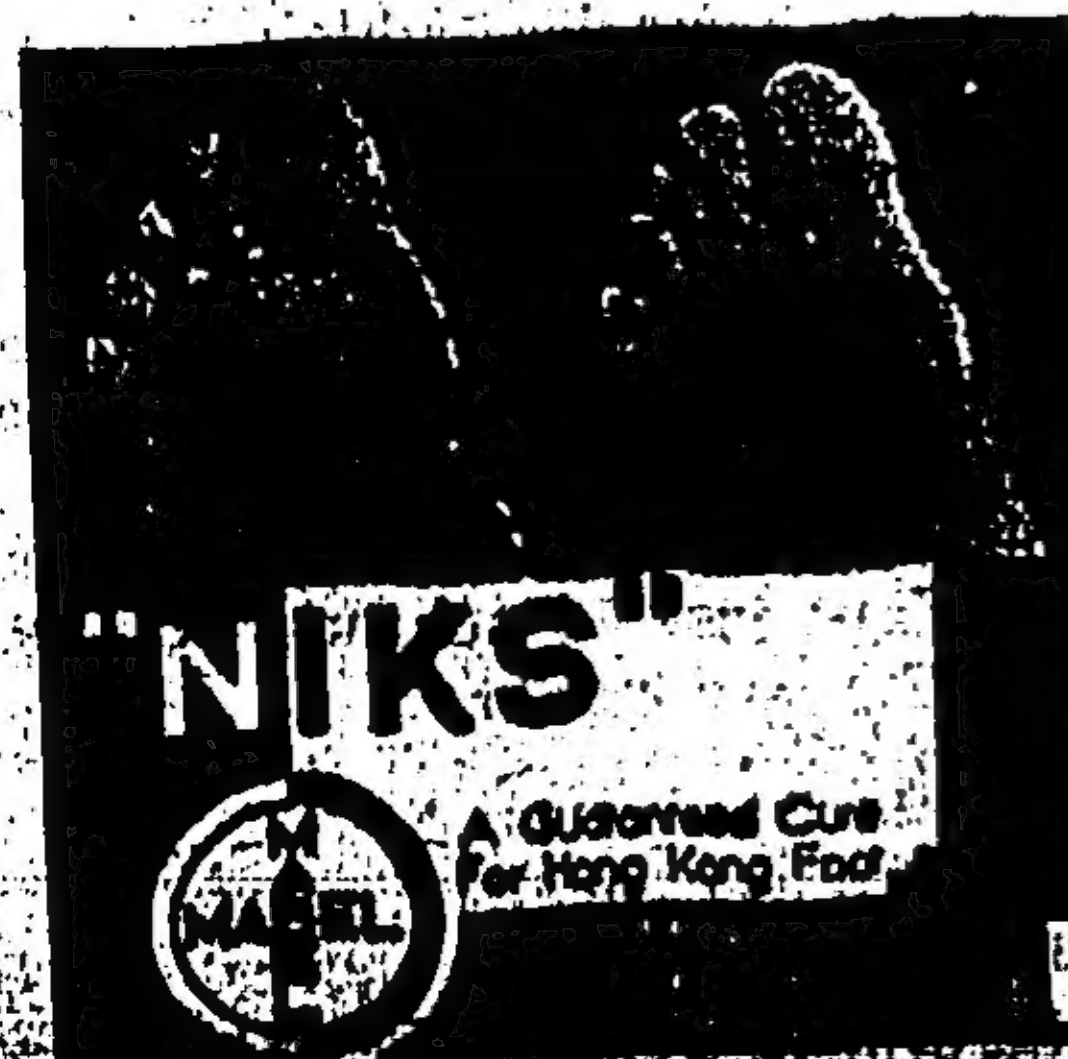
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GERMAN WARNING OF REPRISALS FOR ALL EXPULSIONS OF NAZIS

Berlin, To-day.

"Germany does not recognise a single case in which Germans have been expelled during past weeks from various countries as justified," declares the leader of the National Socialist foreign organisation, Gauleiter Ernst Wilhelm Bohle in an interview granted to a Berlin paper.

That this is not a private statement by Dr. Bohle but a declaration made in his capacity as Secretary of State in the Foreign Ministry is indicated by the fact that it is given front page prominence in to-day's issue of the paper under a fullpage headline reading "An end to war against the defenceless." "The Reich is determined to protect every German abroad."

Gauleiter Bohle calls attention in the interview to the fact that the British Government has expelled three leading Germans from England during recent weeks and followed up this action by six additional expulsions.

It was, moreover, due to British pressure that the Cairo representative of the "Voelkischer Beobachter," Paul Schmitz, and the leader of the German colony in Baghdad, Dr. Jordan, were ordered to leave these countries.

Bohle also mentioned recent expulsions of Germans from France and Poland.

USED AS VICTIMS

"I should like to emphasise," he declares, "that Germany does not recognize a single case of the expulsions as justified because we know that the expelled Germans never violated the hospitality extended to them."

"The measures of the responsible Governments, therefore, lead only to the conclusion that Germans abroad are being used as victims for venting the hatred which is felt for the strong and unassailable Reich."

"Since it is not possible to harm the Reich, it is believed that Germans abroad can be mistreated with impunity."

RETALIATION

"To all fairly thinking persons such an attitude is a mockery on the natural hospitality which has always been granted by one country to the citizens of another. And, in my opinion, it is an indication either of weakness or of a guilty conscience."

Gauleiter Bohle concluded by stating that Germans living abroad were not now unprotected and at the mercy of foreign States, as was the case during the period of German helplessness. The Third Reich of Adolf Hitler protects every member both at home and abroad if he conducts himself properly.

"It is true that Germany is not in a position to prevent the expulsions, but she is determined not to tolerate such despotic acts and to retaliate in every case."

Trans-Ocean.

TERROR REIGNS ON KULANGSU

SWATOW, TO-DAY.

TERROR REIGNS ON KULANGSU, ACCORDING TO MESSAGES FROM AMOY YESTERDAY. JAPANESE TROOPS ARE STILL POLICING THE ISLAND AND ARRESTS OF CHINESE YOUTHS ARE CONTINUING. NO CHINESE MAN, WOMAN OR CHILD DARE VENTURE OUTSIDE THEIR DWELLINGS.

Instances have been reported where Chinese youths have been shot, summarily, on the waterfront a few minutes after being arrested.

Some 300 Chinese men and boys have been taken from the Island to Amoy.—Our Own Correspondent.

ADMIRAL VISITING AMOY

Admiral Sir Percy Noble, the Commander-in-Chief, sails in H.M.S. Birmingham to-day for Shanghai by way of Amoy and Foochow.

His trip is merely in connection with one of his normal tours of inspection, an official source declared this morning.

H.M.S. Kent, the Admiral's flagship, will be remaining in Hong Kong.

H.M.S. Duncan, Defender and Diamond, are leaving to-day for northern ports.

CHINESE SHELLING JAPANESE WARSHIPS

Swatow, To-day.

Chinese artillery is reported active on Sung-ze Island, west of Kulangsu, and shelling at Japanese warships.

Japanese planes are taking off from the ships off Kulangsu and are attempting to locate the Chinese batteries, which are reported to have damaged one Japanese ship.

The oil tanks of the Asiatic Petroleum Company and the Standard Oil Company, are located on Sung-ze Island, and are in danger of being "accidentally" bombed by Japanese machines.—Our Own Correspondent.

eastward over North Japan. Pressure is relatively low over Tongking and Siam. Local Forecast: E. winds, moderate, cloudy.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is moving eastward and is now centred over East China. The depression is moving

Anglo-French Diplomacy Steadying Axis Powers?

PARIS COMMENT ON IL DUCE'S TURIN SPEECH

Paris, To-day.

Signor Mussolini's Turin speech is regarded in political circles here as not changing the situation, but as being moderate in character and likely to be welcomed internationally.

The feeling is growing here that the Anglo-Turkish declaration and the other successes of Anglo-French diplomacy are having a steady effect on the Powers and causing them to reflect on their future policy. — Reuter.

NAZI VIEW OF SPEECH

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S SPEECH IS ENTHUSIASTICALLY WELCOMED IN GERMAN POLITICAL CIRCLES AS A DIRECT ANSWER TO MR. CHAMBERLAIN, PARTICULARLY ON THE DANZIG QUESTION.

A political commentator declared that certain questions must be solved and the sword is not necessary to solve them, but it is up to the democracies to prove their oft-repeated declarations that the status quo can be altered by negotiations.

He added:—"Only the madness of others who try to prevent the democratic rights of self-determination of the people of Danzig to do what they want can cause a conflagration."

He concluded:—"In future, the Axis wants to be convinced of Britain's peaceful intentions by deeds, not by words, which are no longer sufficient."—Reuter.

NICE, TUNIS CORSICA

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE SHOUTS OF "NIZZA, TUNISIA, CORSICA" WITH WHICH THE CROWD ANSWERED MUSSOLINI'S STATEMENTS HAVE ATTRACTED MORE ATTENTION IN THE FRENCH PRESS THAN THE DUCE'S DECLARATIONS IN HIS SPEECH AT TURIN.

Otherwise the speech is commented upon rather favourably and the papers agree that it contained no statement that could be regarded as menacing.

Particular attention is paid to his assertion that there are no European problems which are serious enough to justify a war.

Official circles have thus far made no comment on the speech since the Foreign Ministry is closed and the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, did not return from England until Sunday afternoon. — Trans-Ocean.

SPAIN HAS HER PURGE OF BOOKS

Madrid, To-day.

Franco is following in his Axis mentors' footsteps.

A drastic purge of books throughout Spain has been ordered by the Minister of the Interior, and no book published since the outbreak of the Civil War may be sold without special authorisation. — Trans-Ocean.

KING'S DOCTOR PERFORMS OPERATION IN H.M.S. GLASGOW

ON BOARD THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA, YESTERDAY.

THE RADIO OF THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA, WHICH IS CONVEYING THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN TO CANADA, TO-DAY PICKED UP AN APPEAL FROM H.M.S. GLASGOW, ONE OF THE ESCORTING CRUISERS, ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN A CASE OF APPENDICITIS ON BOARD.

The King's Surgeon and another surgeon were rowed to the cruiser and an operation was successfully carried out.

The boat bringing the surgeons back to the liner returned to the cruiser with special invalid foods and fruit from the Queen.—Reuter.

AFRAID OF A SCOLDING

Lau Kam-cheung, 22, shop assistant was, before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, charged with giving false information to the Police on Saturday.

Defendant was a foki at No. 71, Queen's Road West. A man ordered three dozen singlets, and defendant went with him to collect the money. On the way, the man disappeared. Defendant then reported that he had been robbed.

Defendant said he was afraid his employer might scold him if he told him that he had been defrauded.

A fine of \$50 was imposed.

The s.s. "Talma" left Kobe for Hong Kong on Saturday, and is due here on Thursday afternoon.

POLISH VISIT TO MOSCOW

Warsaw, To-day.

The Polish Vice-Foreign Minister, M. Seiciszevski, will visit Moscow in the near future for trade negotiations, it is announced.

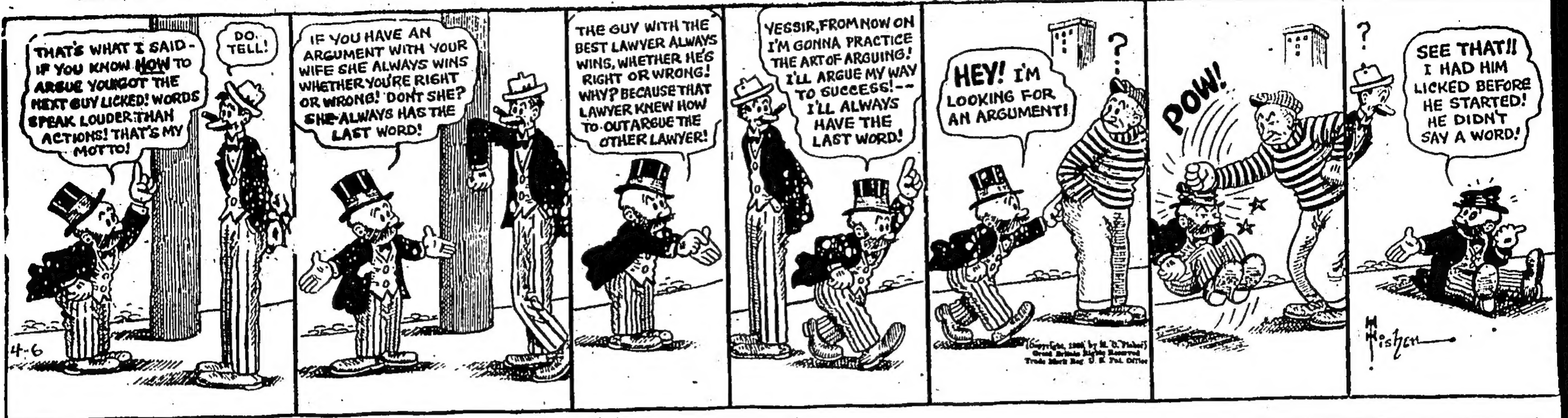
It is believed that his mission will be to arrange for export of the Polish iron and steel products to the Soviet Union and the import of Soviet raw materials.—Trans-Ocean.



TESTING THEIR "SEA LEGS."—This picture shows H.M.S. Shropshire meeting a spot of bad weather while crossing the Gulf of Lyons. This is the time to test "sea legs" and see that the lads can still man the guns in spite of a drop of real sailors' weather. Photo shows H.M.S. Shropshire crashing through.

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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Daffy Enough

One day last spring a transcontinental air liner got out of its beam over the Rocky Mountains and smashed up against a rocky peak. It happened so suddenly that the radio operator didn't have a chance to get off a message. Hence it was a few hours before disaster was suspected, and then the airports could only guess at the location of the wreckage.

Young Glen Owens, sitting alone in his cabin on the slopes of White Crest Valley, heard the announcement over his dry cell set. Young Glen's cabin was located on the course of the liner's flight and earlier in the evening he had heard sounds that now he remembered as being rather queer.

(It was snowing hard outside, but Glen strapped on his skis, loaded a pack with provisions and supplies and set off up the valley.) Three hours later he saw a light and came to the wreckage. Two people were dead, and another was so badly injured that unless he had medical attention pretty quick he too would die.

Glen handed his pack to the uninjured pilot and told him to administer to the passengers. Then he fashioned a sled, using his skis as runners, twisted some saplings into the shape of snowshoes and wove them with

about being a leger—leger—whatever it is."

"Legerdemainist," Glen told her patiently. "Honey, I reckon you ain't never had a hankering to be something like that."

All of which made swell newspaper copy. The reporters ate it up. So did readers. If Glen had been famous before he was twice as famous now. His name was a household word.

The next week three movie producers arrived on the scene. They argued and begged and pleaded. One of them offered a flat price of \$25,000 for a single picture.

Leah Conroy was almost in tears. "Glen, for goodness' sake, try and understand what this means to both of us. In another month you'll be forgotten. It's your one chance. Do you want to be a trapper all your life? My land, that trip up the mountain must have touched you head!"

Glen stared soberly and wonderingly at the exasperated girl. Then he looked into the anxious eyes of the movie producer. He deliberated for a long time.

"Thirty thousand!" said the movie magnate desperately. Glen heaved a deep sigh. "O. K.

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

green twigs. Then he wrapped the injured man in blankets, lashed him onto the sled, tied the crude snowshoes to his own feet and set off for the town of Crest.

At daylight the next day Glen staggered up to Doc Harper's cabin and turned over his patient.

The patient lived. His name was J. Robinson Fleming, an important personage in Washington, D. C. Glen Owens not only received a reward, but he became, overnight, a figure of national reputation.

Three days after this a man from Hollywood, Calif., arrived in Crest looked up Glen and offered to pay him \$500 a week to come to Hollywood and make a moving picture.

Glen smiled and shook his head. "Nope," he drawled, "I always wanted to be a legerdemainist, an now with this reward money I reckon I got my chance."

The movie man didn't have the faintest idea what a legerdemainist was, but he thought Glen was crazy. "Good gosh, man, it will take twenty weeks to make this picture. That's \$10,000! Do you realize that!"

"It's a lot of money," Glen agreed, "but suppose folks liked me? Then I'd have to stay out there and keep making pictures, and I never would get to be a legerdemainist."

"You won't have to worry about folks liking you that much," the movie man said bluntly. "You'll be a dumbbell if you don't grab this chance."

"Maybe," said Glen good-naturedly, "I'm a dumbbell already."

To which not only the movie man, but blonde Leah Conroy, to whom Glen was engaged, agreed.

"For heaven's sake, Glen! What is the matter? Last summer you wanted to start a dude ranch down in Arizona, but you didn't have any money. So you decided to go trapping for one winter so you could save enough money to buy a half interest in a ranch, and we could get married. And now you're offered ten thousand dollars and you mumble something

If that's the way you want it, Leah!"

So Glen Owens went to Hollywood and made a moving picture. It wasn't very successful from an artistic viewpoint, but it made money, because the public wanted to see the hero of the hour.

Glen returned to Crest, bearing his \$25,000, and the next day he and Leah journeyed down into Arizona. Within a week they had purchased not a half interest in a ranch, but a whole ranch.

They were married in the ranch patio, and left immediately for a honeymoon to Honolulu. It was while they were on the boat that Leah asked the inevitable question.

"Well, honey, it was like this," Glen replied. "That offer of ten thousand was good, but we needed fifteen to buy a ranch of our own, so I figured if I turned down the first offer folks would think I was daffy enough to make me more famous, and the movie folks would offer me more money. Which they did."

Leah looked at him suspiciously, but with admiration. "Glen Owens, what is a leger—leger—"

"I dunno," Glen grinned. "And I figured nobody else would, either. All I know is I saw it written out once and copied it off so's I'd sure to get the spelling right in case I wanted to use it."

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NEW TACK BY NAZI PRESS

Writer Urges Delimitation Of Spheres Of Interest

ITALY'S POWER IN MEDITERRANEAN EXAMINED

Berlin, To-day.

While sensational rumours are being circulated abroad regarding imminent German action in Danzig, the newspapers devote their editorials mostly to matters not connected with European crisis.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" publishes an article by Dr. Muendler, which examines the question whether an Anglo-German understanding is still possible.

HOLIDAY ROMANCE ENDS IN TRAGEDY

New York, May 2.

A handsome, dark-haired lad burst into a suburban police station in New York and cried: "I just shot my sweetheart."

When he had given his name as Jack Pasquale, he took detectives to his home. There they found twenty-six-year-old Elizabeth Leslie dead from a revolver bullet.

From the trembling lips of Pasquale the police learned that the tragedy was caused by "having a wonderful time" — a romance which couldn't survive life in the big city.

Boy met girl one night last summer in one of those countless resorts that dot New York's hill country.

STARS, MUSIC ...

Boy, released for two weeks from the rounds as an insurance collector, met the girl, who was a fugitive for a fortnight from a beauty shop.

There were stars, trees, music, lapping waters of a lake—and always the moonlight.

There had a wonderful time.

Back in the city, boy still met girl, but less and less frequently. At last girl told boy she did not want to meet him any more. So boy shot girl.

Stammered Pasquale to the police: "She'd met some one else. I was crazy with jealousy, I guess. I couldn't sleep, couldn't eat, couldn't work. She kept seeing me less and less, so I told her if she would give me one last date I would not bother her any more."

AND THEN FOG

"We drove all day. Elizabeth was so nice. I began to think I

He believes that such understanding is by no means impossible, only on the basis of clear delimitation of mutual spheres of interest.

He expresses the opinion that, after recognition of the mutual interest spheres of the two countries, there will follow also improvement of their commercial relations.

"Reichs ideology means as much to Germans as the interests of the Empire to the British."

ITALY'S NAVAL POWER

The strength of the powers of the Rome-Berlin Axis is stressed by the "Frankfurter Zeitung" in articles devoted to the armed forces of Fascist Italy. It points out that although other Powers possess more warships than Italy none of these Powers enjoys the unique advantage of Italy's strategical and geographical situation since Italy can concentrate her entire naval forces at a single point, namely in the waters between Genoa and Sicily. The disadvantages, which the extent of Italy's coastline and the relative vulnerability of her railway lines from the fire of guns of enemy warships formerly constituted, to-day no longer exists since Italy has built up magnificent and powerful air force.

This means, in other words, that it will hardly be possible to-day to defeat Italy at sea in her home waters and that Italy's fleet will be a dangerous foe in any conflict. Germany and Italy together to-day form a military combination which cannot be beaten."—Trans-Ocean.

could make her love me again. We laughed. It was like the old days up in the hills when I first met her."

They got home early and sat in the sun porch at Pasquale's home. There was no lapping water, there were no trees, no stars, no moonlight.

In front of them, instead, was another depressing suburban house. Above them was fog.

But Pasquale went on making love.

"I asked her to let this other fellow go," Pasquale told the police. "but she said, 'No, Jack, I don't love you and never will.' I must have gone crazy. I pulled out a gun and fired one shot. I will never forget that last look in Elizabeth's eyes."



SCHOOLBOYS SIT IN MAYOR'S CHAIR.—Each week a party of Wimbledon schoolboys visit the Town Hall to have tea as guests of the mayor and mayoress. They are also told how council meetings are conducted, how the business of the town is carried on and take it in turn to sit in the mayor's chair in the council chamber. It is part of the scheme of the Mayor (Major H. A. Crowe) to make Wimbledon schoolchildren interested in town and civic affairs. Photo shows—The Mayor (on left) listens to a boy wearing his robes, acting as mayor.

FRENCH BIRTH RATE DECLINES

Paris, To-day.

Speaking at Lyons yesterday the French Right-wing Deputy, M. Burgot, stated that the decline in

French birthrate was catastrophic. The year 1938 had seen 43,000 more coffins than cradles. He stated that to every 300 French, 700 German children were born.

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A HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE?

Does Hitler aim at the restoration of the Holy Roman Empire, which in some form or other lasted in Europe from 962 until 1806? This vast organisation, which Voltaire said was neither holy nor Roman nor an Empire, consisted of a heterogeneous mass of peoples, and so did not conform to that fundamental of racial unity on which the German Fuehrer has exalted in the past. But racial unity did not impede the acquisition of Bohemia and Moravia.

In these circumstances, certain incidents of the last five years which were not regarded as of much significance at the time have suddenly sprung into prominence. A reproduction of the crown and sceptre of the Empire was received with acclamation at the Nazi Party rally at Nuremberg in 1934. In 1936 a proclamation on German parade grounds stated that Austria was once part of the Imperial domains.

When Hitler entered Vienna in 1937 he was welcomed by the Seyss-Inquart, the Nazi leader in Austria, as the guardian of the crown of the Holy Roman Empire; while the broadcast which announced the acquisition of Bohemia by the Reich described Bohemia as a former province of the Empire. Now that conquest seems to have been added to race as the actuating force in German policy, these facts take on added interest because they accord with Herr Hitler's declaration in "Mein Kampf" that continental expansion rather than the recovery of colonies should be the first mark at which Germany must aim.

But does even the ambition behind the Third Reich's drive conceive the possibility of such an Imperial restoration? At one time or another the Holy Roman Empire embraced Germany, Switzerland, North Italy, Austria, Bohemia, the Netherlands, Savoy, Lorraine, and others. Its power, however, was not commensurate with its vast extent. After the middle of the thirteenth century the Emperor enjoyed only a very nominal authority over its constituent parts. In its early days it was ruled by a disastrous quarrel with the Papacy, with which Herr Hitler also has had his differences. The diversity of its component races resulted in

internal weakness, and in this respect Germany may find that conquest is not an unqualified benefit.

Education In Etiquette

According to a recent report from Istanbul, etiquette is now to be a compulsory subject in all Turkish schools. It appears that even pupils in the highest forms there "do not know how to greet people, shake hands, take off their hats, what kind of dinner-table etiquette they must observe, or how to behave when paying calls."

Without suggesting that pupils of a similar standing in Western schools, who have the advantage of a long tradition behind them, are altogether young Turks in this respect, one cannot help feeling that they might benefit from an advanced course in etiquette. The Western wearer of an old-school tie may protest that good form is inculcated in every form; but although he may be able at the dinner-table, for example, to keep his tie unspotted from the world, to mind his peas without provoking visions of a sword swallower, and his cues as they are given to him by his seniors, dare he affirm that he is never liable at a "groaning board" to fall into the dilemma of the character in "The Young Visitors," and get "flustered with his forks"?

Nor is that the only advanced problem that may confront him on such an occasion. He may be helped first, and then, as Mr. A. A. Milne has pointed out, "Casting a hasty eye round the company, he has to count the number of diners, estimate the size of the dish, divide the one by the other, and take a helping of the appropriate size, knowing that the fashion which he inaugurates will be faithfully followed." Surely, intensive training, and expert coaching, are needed if he is to meet a crisis of this sort with an unshaken front; and crises equally exacting confront him at every turn of the social round. So that perhaps once again the West has something to learn from the East in the matter of deportment.

Welfare As A By-Product

As much as the race for rearmament may be regretted, it is interesting Britain is obtaining from it some good things as well as ones which cannot be so described.

The good things include evacuation camps where children from crowded cities will be able in peace time to spend holidays in the pure atmosphere of rural surroundings. Encouragement for food growing is another benefit, for this means enabling many who now live in squalid slums to return to better conditions upon hitherto neglected farms. There are other desirable developments besides. Redistribution of industry helps remote areas where unemployment is now rife. The developing of trunk roads will be helpful to trade. Yet another development which is useful is co-ordination of national effort and the mutual co-operation of the community as a whole for a common aim.

Unfortunately that common aim must now be defence against attack by another section of mankind. As much energy directly devoted to the general welfare as is now necessarily diverted to defence needs would, of course, produce even bigger dividends.

PEACE OR WAR? IL DUCE'S REPLY

Knots Must Be Cut Once And For All

Turin, To-day.

"Millions are asking, are we going to have peace or war? That is a grave question, particularly for those responsible for the decision," declared Signor Mussolini in his speech here yesterday.

He added:—"I reply by declaring that after an objective examination there are not at present in Europe any questions of such amplitude and acuteness as to justify a war which would logically develop into universal war.

"There exist knots in European politics but to cut these knots it is perhaps not necessary to have recourse to the sword; nevertheless, these knots must be cut once and for all, because it sometimes happens that hard reality becomes preferable to a long period of uncertainty.

"This is not only the belief in Italy but also in Germany and, therefore, throughout the Axis. The Axis, after having been a parallel movement in two regimes and two revolutions is about to become, through the pact at Milan and the Military Alliance which will be signed before the end of the month in Berlin, an unbreakable communion of two states and peoples.

DOCTRINE CLEAR

"Those who are looking through field-glass to try and discover a break or bend in the Axis will now feel humiliated.

"Let no one cultivate any ridiculous illusions, because the doctrine of Fascism is clear and my will is inflexible. We will march with Germany to give Europe peace with justice!"

Speaking ironically, Il Duce exclaimed:—"We don't simply desire peace because our internal situation is catastrophic! We don't desire peace either because of a cynical fear of war! We ask ourselves: Does there exist among the great democracies a sincere desire for peace such as exists in the totalitarian states?"

POLICY OF PISTOL

"Judging from their acts, it is permissible to doubt it. During recent times, three continents have been modified, but Japan, Germany and Italy have not abstracted a square metre of territory or a single inhabitant from the sovereignty of the great democracies."

"The system of a pistol pointed against Germany and Italy, built up at Versailles, has crumpled irreparably and an effort is being made to substitute guarantees more or less asked for and more or less multi-lateral.

"WHITE WAR"

"That the great democracies are not sincerely devoted to the cause of peace is shown incontestably by the fact that they have already started a White War in the economic field. They delude themselves with the idea of weakening us!

"Wars are not won only with

gold; more important still than gold is will, and even more important is courage!

GUARANTEES WILL COLLAPSE
"The formidable bloc ranging from the Baltic to the Indian Ocean won't let itself be overpowered. After the system of pistols, the system of guarantees will collapse, too!

"The reason why we are arming is to safeguard our peace and resist any aggression wherewith we might be threatened," Il Duce concluded.

"Comrades, whatever happens, I declare with absolute certainty all our goals will be reached!" — Reuter.

THE OMISSIONS

Twenty thousand children were among the crowds in Turin's main square that enthusiastically cheered Signor Mussolini, who was inaugurating the Economic Self-Sufficiency Exhibition.

It is noteworthy that in the course of his speech, Il Duce made no reference to Danzig, Poland, the Anglo-Turkish Treaty nor to Italy's claims against France.—Reuter.

ANGLO-GERMAN TRADE

London, To-day.

The Board of Trade has released figures covering Anglo-German trade in the first quarter of 1939.

British exports to Germany aggregated £5,380,857 sterling, as against £5,662,721 sterling in the corresponding three months of last year.

German exports to England in the first three months of 1939 aggregated £7,341,387 sterling, as against £9,161,182 sterling for the same period last year.—Trans-Ocean.

BEACH THEFT

Mr. Taylor, of the Central British School, has reported to the Police that a wrist watch and a handbag containing £37, was stolen at Taiwan Beach yesterday.

NOTHING PREJUDICIAL TO PEACE

London, To-day.

Reuter learns that the impression made by Mussolini's speech in diplomatic circles here was not unfavourable; it was felt that Il Duce was pacific and moderate and that the general atmosphere was not influenced prejudicially.

— Reuter.

MILITARY PARADE IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

The Joan of Arc festival which is held here annually eight days following a similar event in Orleans, took place yesterday in the form of a decidedly military display before the Joan of Arc monument in the Rue de Rivoli.

Headed by the Premier, M. Daladier, the French Government was present for a parade of troops ranging from students of the St.

JEWS GIVE WARNING ON PALESTINE

London, To-day.

On the eve of the publication of the White Book on Palestine, Mr. J. K. Goldbloom, the Zionist leader, declared that British proposals amounting to giving Palestine Jews the status of a permanent minority and to leaving them at the mercy of an Arab majority, would be answered by the Jews refusing to give "further co-operation."

He added that Jews with legal means at their disposal would fight against the abolition of their fundamental rights.

Mr. Goldbloom emphasized that the Jews in Palestine were a power which must be reckoned with in any attempt at solving the Palestine problem.—Trans-Ocean.

SERIOUS LOSS

A £37 gold cigarette-case, belonging to Mrs. G. A. Avramow, residing at the Peninsula Hotel, was lost between the Hotel and the Star Ferry Wharf yesterday morning, according to a report made to the Police by Mr. Avramow.

Cyr military academy to modern motorised units.—Trans-Ocean.

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EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA IN VAST SEA OF ICE

Excitement For Passengers Yesterday

KING AND QUEEN MAY BE DELAYED TWO DAYS

Quebec, To-day.

The King and Queen are not now expected to arrive in Quebec before Wednesday, according to the chairman of the committee which is making arrangements for the visit.

No information is forthcoming from official quarters concerning the precise hour at which the Empress of Australia is expected to arrive in Quebec.

Dr. Coleman, the chairman of the reception committee, who is in close touch with Mr. Mackenzie King, said he had had no further information from the Canadian Prime Minister in regard to changes in Their Majesties' itinerary. — *Reuter*.

ROME COMMENT ON DALADIER'S SPEECH

Rome, Yesterday.

Political circles declare that the speech of M. Daladier introduced no new feature into the international situation.

It is argued that the French Prime Minister was completely astray in attempting to summarise all prevailing problems as a question of either domination or collaboration.

Of all countries, it declared, France is one that has neglected numerous opportunities for proving her readiness by agreeing to discussion for the purpose of arriving at more equitable solutions of current problems.

France simply denies the existence of problems, however vital for other nations, and adopts an absolutely unyielding attitude, considerably strengthens her armaments and eagerly organises the encirclement of the Totalitarian States. In so doing France contributes substantially towards increasing tension inasmuch as she provokes justified counteraction of the threatened States. — *Trans-Ocean*.

Floes Bumping And Scraping King's Ship

London, To-day.

Excitement in plenty was provided on board the Empress of Australia yesterday, according to messages from *Reuter's* special correspondent on board.

After a long night in which the great liner made little progress, daylight came and with it the discovery that the Empress of Australia was entirely surrounded by icefloes, through which she crept slowly forward, feeling her way gingerly, continuously bumping small bergs.

• *Reuter's* correspondent wire-
lessed:

"Fresh excitement awaited the Empress's passengers when they awoke on Sunday morning to find the ship in clear weather, but entirely surrounded by ice-floes, through which the liner ploughed at four knots, with floes bumping and scraping her sides, carrying away the paint and leaving behind her a trail of black sea through a vast field of white ice.

CHANGED COURSE

"All the time, little black ice-birds swam and dived among the floes, while destroyers followed in our wake.

"The captain ultimately changed course to the southward in order to avoid still thicker ice and though we met fog again we were able to proceed fitfully.

"The speed of the ship to-night was only five knots through the fog.

"Their Majesties are most sympathetic towards those in Canada who have been inconvenienced by the compulsory change in arrangements.

DIVINE SERVICE

"Their Majesties attended Divine Service on board yesterday, conducted by the Purser, the Captain having to remain on the bridge as the ship was in the midst of the icefield.

"The King and Queen joined in the singing of hymns and two special prayers were said, one for the Royal Family, the Governor-General of Canada, the President of the United States and the legislators of the Empire, and the other petitioning the Almighty "to conduct us speedily and safely on the voyage and bring us in peace and comfort to our desired haven."

"The simple and impressive service was made the more dramatic by the occasional sounding of the ship's siren." — *Reuter*.

'RESURRECTION' ORATORIO

"The Resurrection," an Oratorio by Lorenzo Perosi, will be performed by the Choral Group next Thursday evening in aid of the Emergency Refugee Council, at the China Fleet Club.

Lorenzo Perosi, composer of "The Resurrection," is the Director of the Sistine Choir. He is one of the most eminent of living musicians and his oratorios, the most famous of which is "The Resurrection," has been performed many

SITUATION RESTORED IN SOUTH HONAN

Nanyang, To-day.

The recapture of Tangho, in south Honan, sixty miles northeast of Sinyang, is reported.

Tangho was lost to the Japanese on May 12, when a mixed force stormed the town after a quick thrust from Sinyeh. Chinese forces were rushed to area and on Saturday morning, finally dislodging the Japanese.

The military situation in south Honan, which took a serious turn following the successive loss of Sinyeh and Tangho on May 11 and 12, has now greatly improved. — *Central News*.

ALLIANCE LIKELY TO BE SIGNED ON MAY 20

Berlin, To-day.

The German-Italian military pact will be signed in Berlin in the course of May, according to informed quarters here.

It is stressed, however, that a definite date for the signing has not yet been set. Political quarters expect that the Pact will be signed on about May 20. — *Trans-Ocean*.

times in all parts of Europe. It is now being presented for the first time in Hong Kong and is being given in its entirety, with orchestral and organ accompaniment.



The romance of the world of sailing ships is by no means dead. As long as there is a sailing ship afloat a crew will be found to man her. Just now the old windjammers still afloat are on their way, or about to leave Australia, in the annual grain race. Photo shows the clearing of a badly damaged topsail in the Olivebank. In the big Finnish ships all the sails are made at sea. Hard weather plays havoc with the sails and they are changed as much as four times in one voyage.

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"GIRL PREACHERS TO FILL CHURGHES"

"Girls in the pulpit" is the answer to the problem of thinning congregations, says Miss M. Oldfield, organising secretary of the Society for the Ministry of Women, and so she is now arranging the tenth annual conference of her society.

"Many churches are filled almost entirely with elderly people listening to elderly preachers," she says. "Fewer young men are coming up for ordination, but young people still want those of their own generation to lead them. I am convinced that many more young women would come to church services if there were more women preachers," she added. "It is the older women who oppose us."

Modern women thinks Miss Oldfield, do not want interpretations of spiritual thought from older people.

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WHEN THE RULE WAS

"MEMBERS MUST BE CLEAN"

Several centenarian friendly societies, and others which had almost reached 100 years, were dissolved during 1937, according to the annual report of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Some of these organisations had novel, even amusing, provisions in their early rules.

The Shepherds' Friendly Society (Hunmanby, Yorks, 1839), for example, decreed that: "The M. (Minstrell) shall see that officers and brethren be clean and decent."

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COUNCIL BAN ON RELATIVES

Richmond (Surrey) Council are not in future to take into their employment relatives of Council members or of senior Council officials.

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NIGHTDRESS FIRE: GIRL DIES

Eunice Spicer, aged eight, of Horn-lane, Acton, died in Acton Hospital from severe burns, received when her nightdress caught fire at her home. Mrs. Marvier, who lives in a flat below the child's home, heard her screams, rushed upstairs and put out the flames with her hands.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

Heard in London courts:—

Man at Willesden: Am I willing to go back to my wife? Yes, but I want one last week on my own.

Woman at Highgate: I have been tapping on the dining-room table.

Man at Hammersmith: This man used to be a friend of mine, but about a month ago I lent him five shillings.

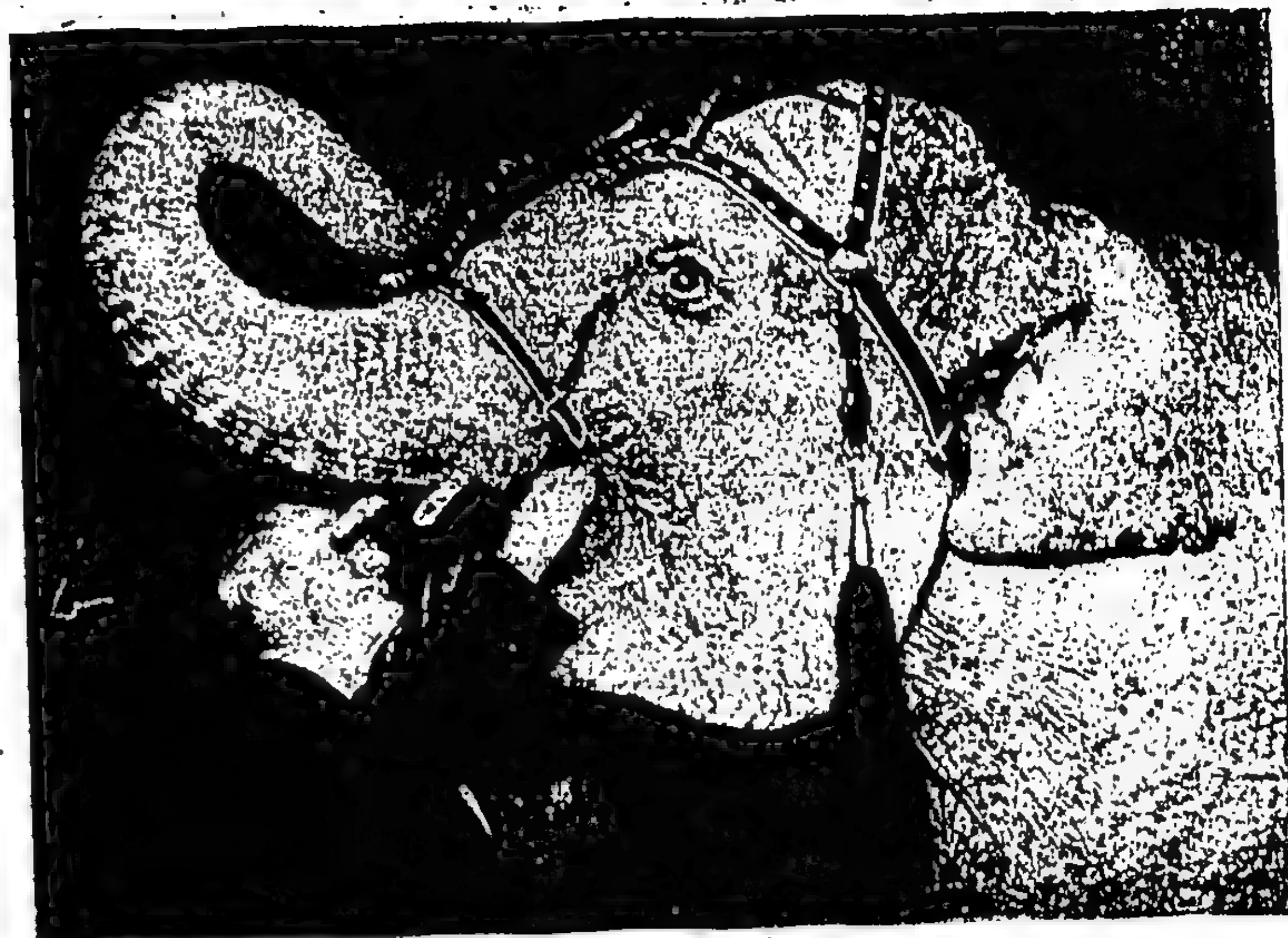
Defendant at Strathford: After I have settled my wife's debts I shall have nothing left except my wife.

MAN FINED £11,111,111 2S.

The heaviest fine ever imposed by the Italian Government—and probably any other—has just been inflicted on Signor Remo Adriani, who was found guilty at Milan of smuggling Italian currency abroad. He was fined 1,000,000,000 lire (£11,111,111 2s.).

ROAD SAFETY RESEARCH

Minister of Transport Burgin said in the Commons that he was considering suggestion to establish a road safety research board in the light of the report of the Select Committee of the Lords on measures for reduction of accidents.



LORD NUFFIELD HAS A DAY OFF.—Lord Nuffield on May 2 paid a visit to Bertram Mills Circus, at Oxford, where he greatly enjoyed himself. Photograph shows Lord Nuffield feeding one of the elephants.

BOMBED CONSTANTINOPLE

Major Kenneth Stevens Savory, D.S.O., flying ace of the Great War, has died in London following an operation. In 1916, in a flight of over 400 miles, he bombed Constantinople, scored a direct hit on the German battle cruiser Goeben and sank a Turkish destroyer.

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RAID TEST SATISFIES B.B.C.

Broadcasting House recently underwent an A.R.P. test under war conditions. The alarm was given at about 10.30 a.m., and fire parties, decontamination squads and first aid detachments ceased their ordinary duties and hurried to their appointed posts. Verdict: "Perfectly satisfactory."

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GRANDSON FOR CHIEF SCOUT

The Hon. Mrs. Clay, daughter of Lord Baden-Powell, the Chief Scout, has given birth to a son at Nyeri, East Africa.

Formerly the Hon. Betty Baden-Powell, she was married in 1936 to Mr. J. C. Clay, District Commissioner in Northern Rhodesia. A daughter was born in 1937.

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GRANT TO PREMIER'S WIDOW

An annuity of £500 for life is to be granted to Dame Enid Lyons, widow of the late Prime Minister. A similar annuity for the children is to be granted until the youngest, now six, is twenty-one.

THE FORGOT

Tim, the Post Office speaking clock, has been working overtime because many people forgot to forward their clocks by an hour.

From 8 a.m. Saturday, April 15, until 8 a.m. Sunday approximately 54,000 calls were made to Tim, as compared with the normal 40,000.

During the following twenty-four hours 30,000 calls were made, as against the normal 26,000.

HE HAS WINNING HAND

How are these for hands? Mr. A. Snell, of Hopetown, Victoria, Australia, visited a dairy shop and challenged the owner to sell him a handful of eggs at the price of one dozen. The owner agreed. Snell proved he could hold more than two dozen eggs in one hand.

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FIRST WHITE CHILD IN AMERICA

A stone, believed to have been marker for the burial place of Virginia Dare, first white child born in the New World, has been found by Mr. Thomas Shallington, county surveyor of Columbia, Carolina. It is inscribed, "Virginia Dare, b. Aug. 17, 1587, d. 1597."

The fate of this child and other members of the colony planted on Roanoke Island by Sir Walter Raleigh is still one of the mysteries of American history. Within recent months two other stones have been found, indicating that this "lost colony" was wiped out by Indians.

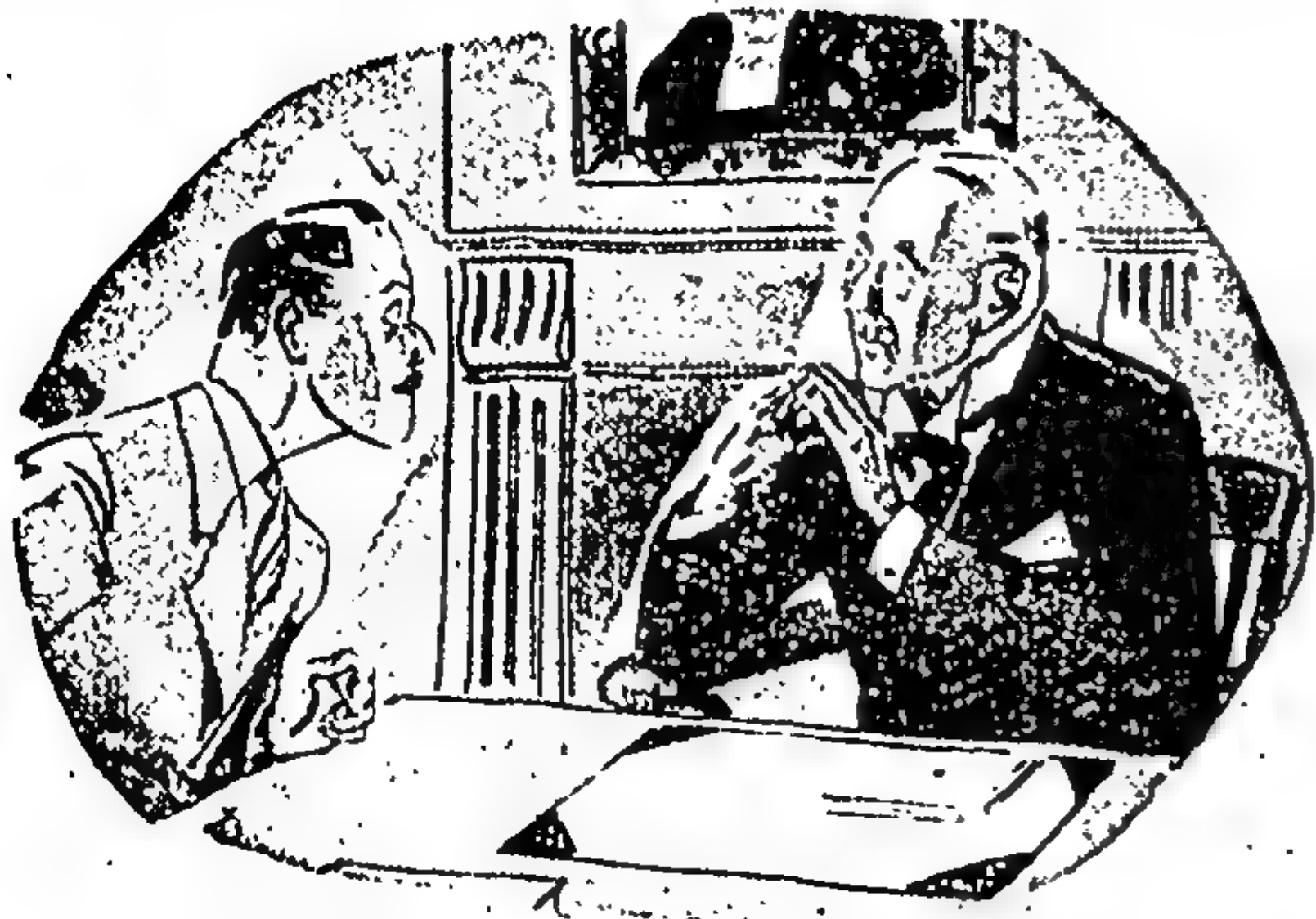
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BRITISH SHIPS SOLD ABROAD

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, told the Commons that the total gross tonnage of the ships of 100 tons and over registered at ports in the United Kingdom which were transferred on sale to foreign owners during 1938 was 422,000 tons. The corresponding figures for 1937 and 1938 were 866,500 tons and 395,000 tons respectively.



SCHOOLGIRL RIFLE SHOTS.—A team of girls at Downe House School, Berks, are experts with rifles and take part in various competitions during the season including Blaisey. Photo shows three of the team getting their eye in for the season.



SIX AND EIGHTPENCE

"Meredith, I want to make my will. My fox-head scarf-pin to my Uncle Philip, unless he remarries. My collection of film stars' portraits, autographed, I leave to the Mess. To my faithful butler, Albert Hawkins, the contents of my cellar..."

"But, Lord Henry, isn't this rather sudden? It was only last night that I chanced to catch sight of you in Regent Street on the roof of a taxi-cab, sounding a fanfare on what appeared to be a hunting-horn."

"Don't remind me of it, Meredith. If you only knew how I feel. Not a morsel of food has passed my lips since a brace of devilled bones at three a.m."

"I am indeed sorry to hear that,

Lord Henry, but in all my long experience I have seldom known a hang-over prove fatal. Are you not cognisant of Rose's Limb Juice?"

"I think so, why?"

"Because the said Rose's, whether taken as 'Gin and Lime' or consumed before bed, does, by virtue of its therapeutic properties, neutralise the after-effects of alcohol and render hangovers null and void."

"Is this true, Meredith?"

"I am speaking, Lord Henry, as your solicitor."

"Thank you, Meredith, from the bottom of my heart. You have given me fresh hope. Believe me, when I do come to make my will you shall not be forgotten."

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RADIO PROPAGANDA OF "FIRST-LINE"

Broadcasting, in all countries of the world, is being used more and more for propaganda purposes. This article compares the broadcasting facilities of Britain, France and Germany, and discusses the relative effectiveness of the British and German foreign language broadcasting.

and there is urgent need for a comprehensive plan to modernise and increase the power of British stations to the maximum permitted by international agreement, to ensure that Britain shall not lag permanently behind in technical facilities.

Including the recent acquisition of Prague, Germany now has ten 100 kilowatt stations in the medium wave band. The B.B.C., on the other hand, has only one 100 kilowatt station and six other stations using a power of 70 kilowatts each. The B.B.C. is building another high power station at Start Point and both London and North Regional are to be reconstructed and increased in power.

B.B.C. engineers have always strongly contended that the difference between 70 and 100 kilowatts makes such a slight difference to the service area as to be of small account, but this view

THE effectiveness of broadcasts from one country to another does not depend entirely on the number of transmitters or on their power. Geographical situation and the nature of the bulletins sent out are also important factors.

Nevertheless, judging solely from the viewpoint of "first line" facilities for broadcasting, as they appear on paper, Germany has a marked advantage over Great Britain or France taken individually. Together Britain and France probably have a slight superiority.

BIGGEST TRANSMITTER

I use the expression "first line" strength because there is no doubt that in emergency the various countries of the world would press into propaganda service all other available transmitters at present used for telephone transmissions. Thus the resources of the mighty Post Office station at Rugby, the centre of the world telephone system, might be thrown into the balance on the British side. There are 13 transmitters at Rugby, including one using 1,000 kilowatts, which is the most powerful in the world. But Empire and world communications must be maintained and it seems equally possible that Rugby will be heavily overburdened.

The conduct of a future "war on the air" is unpredictable. It has been suggested that in wartime use of private wireless receivers may be prohibited in belligerent countries, but the advantages of broadcasting for giving air raid warnings and disseminating official information are so great as to make this course unlikely.

No doubt broadcasting will be used for propaganda and counter-propaganda; there will be jamming and counter-jamming. Experience shows that while it is easy to spoil the entertainment value of a broadcast by jamming, it is more difficult to make speech unintelligible. Usually something can be heard through the din of interference if the sending station is near and powerful enough.

MAKING UP LEEWAY

The advantages of the land-line relay system, which the Post Office is proposing to develop, is that broadcasting distributed by this method cannot be interfered with or overheard by an enemy.

Britain was late to realise the importance of foreign language broadcasting, but though starting years behind Germany and with much leeway to make up, the B.B.C. has tackled its task with great energy. While, however, much may be done by intelligent use of existing stations, it takes a year to build a new high-power transmitter,

does not appear to be shared abroad. Judging on this basis of "first line" power, France is also in a distinctly better position than Britain on medium waves. Three French stations use a power of 120 kilowatts, and there are three others on 100 kilowatts. In the long wave band Britain has a superiority, for Droitwich, using 150 kilowatts, is more powerful than Deutschlandsender (60 kilowatts) or Radio Paris (80 kilowatts).

On short waves, used for transmissions to the distant countries of the world, the disparity between British and German facilities is not quite so marked. Zeesen has eight transmitters used for broadcasting; Daventry five high-power transmitters and three on lower power in reserve. The B.B.C. claims, however, that all round reception of Daventry is equal to that of Zeesen. The Paris short-wave station (Paris Mondial) has four transmitters.

B.B.C. NEWS BULLETINS

As to languages, Paris Mondial uses French, English, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, German, and Arabic. Germany uses, on short waves, English, German, Dutch, Spanish and Portuguese. Recently, in answer to the B.B.C. German broadcasts, Hamburg and Cologne began to send out nightly news bulletins in English on medium waves, and I understand that Arabic transmissions, on short waves, are likely to be started shortly. Thus the great German broadcasting machine is being diverted more and more to propaganda purposes.

The B.B.C. Italian, French and Arabic, and of the staff a foreboding of time devoted to bulletins, probably a speculation is under British and consider that the "straight" im- bulletins consi- from the world Germany and tacks on the J- time.

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⑥ IF A LADDER PLACED AT C WILL JUST REACH A. How FAR IS THE FOOT OF THE LADDER FROM THE WALL?

A: A COMPARISON E " RESOURCES



FAMILY AT ST. GEORGE'S DAY PARADE. — The King and Queen accompanied by the Elizabeth and Margaret Rose reviewed a Boy Scout's St. George's Day Parade in the grounds Castle.

ing English, German, Spanish, Portuguese sand B.B.C. observers widely scattered in the service area report on reception and the programme material.

THANKS FROM GERMANS

Every comment in a foreign newspaper on the broadcasts is noted and filed at Broadcasting House. B.B.C. officials have visited Portugal and South America to obtain first-hand information on reception. To include Germany in such a publicity system is naturally difficult, but numerous independent letters received from German listeners are sufficient testimony to their appreciation. Many of these letters have had to be sent through Holland or Switzerland. The following communication from Vienna is typical: "Your move to broadcast the news in German has been widely welcomed in this country, for we hope that it will give our countrymen who do not understand English an opportunity of getting an unbiased view of the situation."

Mingled with the appreciative letters are a few critical ones from ardent Nazis. But the German Social Democratic party, which has headquarters in Paris, reports that the transmissions are highly successful throughout Germany and booklets in many because of the objective nature of the bulletins. In blocks of flats so many residents are listening to them that Nazi officials have given up the

task of reporting listeners to the authorities for fear of incurring personal unpopularity.

English residents and visitors in Germany also report the intense interest throughout the country in these German bulletins from B.B.C. stations.

ANALYSING RECEPTION

On the other hand, German broadcasts to Britain in English have nothing more than curiosity value here, and in my experience not one listener in a thousand takes the trouble to tune them in.

A B.B.C. analysis of reports sent in from all parts by its 1,000 observers on the reception of Daventry showed that 54 per cent. of its short-wave transmissions were excellent in quality, while only 39 per cent. of Zeesen's broadcasts were received equally well. Another inquiry as to which short-wave stations were preferred in India resulted in Daventry being placed first, Eindhoven (Holland) second, and Zeesen third.

B.B.C. bulletins are frequently accused of dullness and may deserve the reproach, but as long as they maintain the present reputation for accuracy they will be a more powerful influence in the world than some of the bulletins of foreign Powers. There remains the paramount necessity for a review of transmitting facilities.

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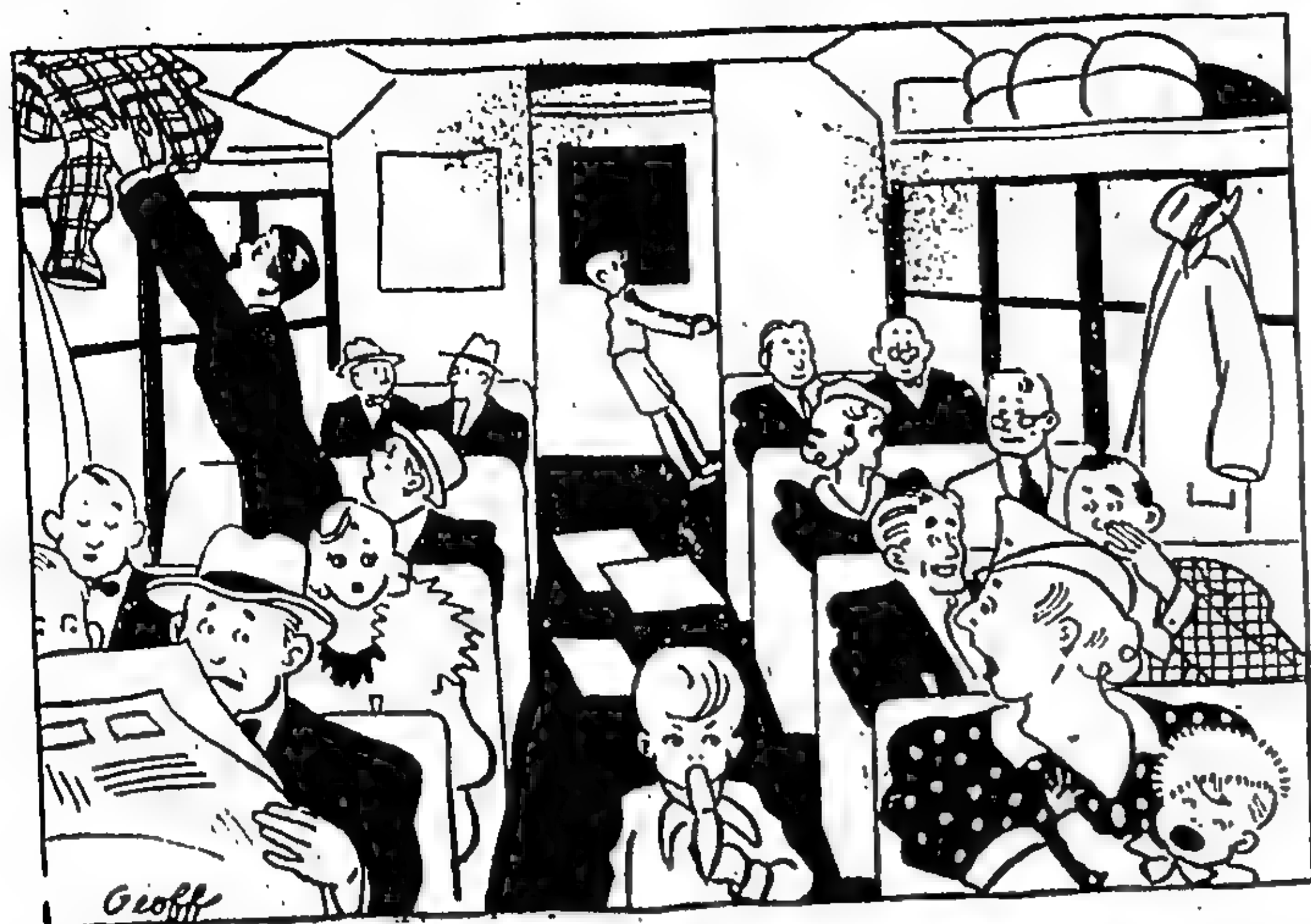
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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY



Such scenes as this are making reasonable travelling almost impossible.

Manners And Grooming

You may be one of those who plan to journey to one of the gigantic fairs in America. Americans, as a whole, are nomadic. They pick up and go whenever they have any spare cash or time. And that is all to the good unless they leave their manners at home, and roam around looking like a lot of tramps!

It is good to remember while travelling, that others are travelling too. If you are on a train or in a plane, try to bear in mind, that all your fellow passengers may not be taking the journey just for a lark. Illness may call them away, business too. Their jaunt may not be so jolly a one as yours.

Not long ago I was on an excursion train which had been substituted for the regular train between two points. In front of me,

in back of me, across the aisle from me were daring and dashing young things who certainly had checked their manners for the day. They took complete possession of the entire car and no other passenger could read, relax or even think.

In no time at all the aisles were strewn with newspapers, candy wrappings and other waste. They took delight in going to the tap for water and then dropping it near the person who asked for it! Oh, it was such great fun, and they grew wittier, by the moment (or so they thought!).

Suddenly a man requested two of them to be less noisy. He was passed middle age and most conservative, but not severe, in appearance. His request only incited more senseless wit, more loud laugh-

ing, more rudeness. Suddenly the man rose, took off his eyeglasses hastily and then slumped in his seat. In ten minutes he died of heart failure and his body was carried off the train at the next station!

Can you imagine how those rude, noisy young people felt? Do you think their day continued to be fun? And what rating did they get from the other well-behaved passengers of the car?

METICULOUS GROOMING URGED

If you travel at all you are familiar with what some persons like to call "the great American freedom of dress." Young and old persons use a train car, a railroad station or a bus as if it were their private bedroom. (Outer clothing comes off, shirts are opened at the neck, shoes kicked off, children undressed, with no regard whatever as to the comfort or feelings of fellow passengers. They paid their fare, they make themselves "at home,"



so to speak, and the rest of us can like it or not.

If you do travel, let me urge you to pack your best behaviour as carefully as you would your best suit, and wear it when you are in the company of fellow passengers. Dress neatly and suitably, so it will not be necessary to "strip" for comfort.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

This is a day when restlessness will seem to be in the air. Plans will be started this day but due to disturbances which are all about, they will make little real progress. Highly debatable subjects of conversation ought to be avoided today. Apparently, a good deal of the irritability displayed will be traceable to needless discussions. Ridiculous ideas are apt to poison the minds of many people this day, so do not permit your imagination to run wild. A common mistake that might be made is to ignore suggestions. Any introduction you receive this day ought to be more than merely perfunctorily acknowledged, for it will be good judgment to make an effort to be very courteous to strangers. The average person will not stand teasing gracefully. Married and engaged couples, as well as those planning to share their future with someone else, must avoid being moody, for it might have a widespread affect on everyone around this day.

If a woman and May 15 is your birthday, you may part with money too readily. What you give in loving affection is likely to be returned in many ways. Make up your mind that only through your own efforts will anything worthwhile be accomplished. Patience is a virtue you must cultivate, for your greatest mistakes will be caused by impatience. You ought to be very fond of children, and prefer home-life to a business career. You are, perhaps, fastidious about your clothes and food. There is a possibility that you neglect taking advantage of some talent you have for painting, singing, acting, writing, teaching, selling or managing a business of your own. You and the man who is the choice of your heart, ought to spend the later years of your married life like a pair of newlyweds.

The child born on May 15, is likely to have a multitude of friends. This youngster's happy disposition may be its greatest asset. Many Taurus children in early youth develop a love for literature and the theatre.

Witty Kitty



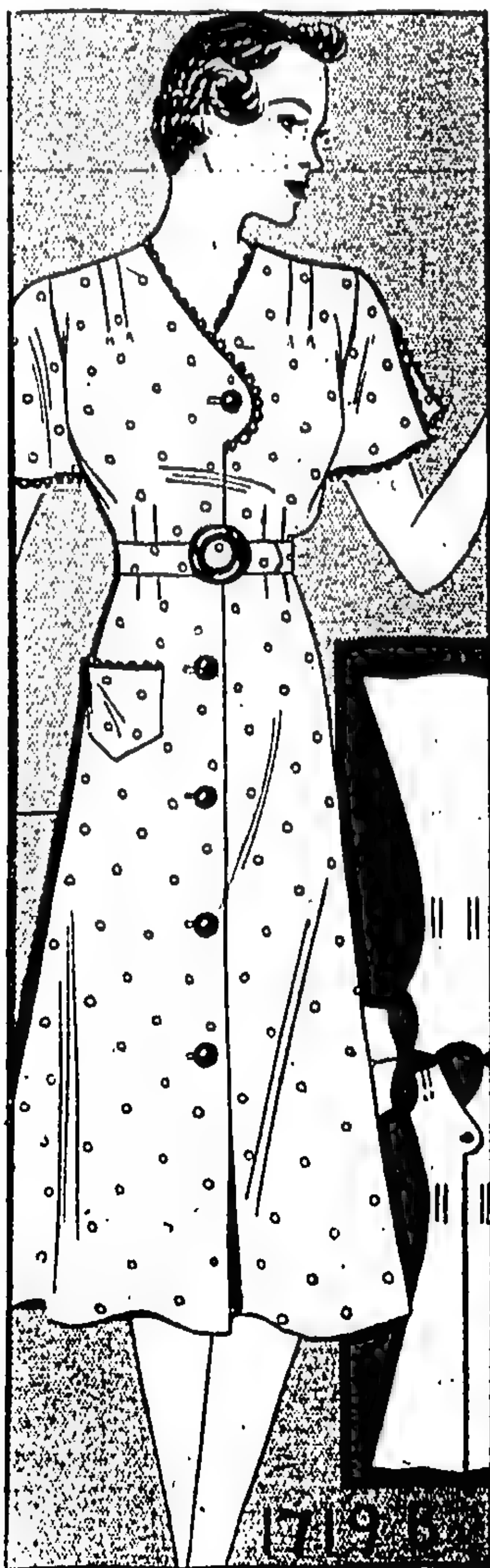
Dieting Dotty says she doesn't want a practising physician; she wants one who knows his stuff.

WEAKNESS AFTER FEVER

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A striking fashion seen at Newbury Races.

New Classic Shirtwaister

Suitable for either house or street wear, this smart tailored dress has new little feminine touches that give it decided individuality. The blouse has loop fastenings, and loops are used to finish the belt, in the front. Raglan sleeves (with gathers below) and a double inverted pleat in the front of the skirt, are details that make this dress particularly graceful. It's becoming even to women who ordinarily shy away from tailored things.

In silk print, flat crepe, challis or sharkskin, this will be one of the most useful dresses in your wardrobe.

WASHING HINT

White clothes that have become yellow will regain their whiteness if they are soaked in water to which a tablespoon of cream of tartar has been added for each gallon. Let the garments soak overnight, and then wash in the usual way.

STAINS ON BRASS

Stains can be removed from brass-ware by applying lemon juice. Immediately after, wash brass in warm, soapy water, rinse in clear water, dry, and polish with chamois.

ODOUR OF FISH

If you rub knives and forks that have been used for fish with a fresh lemon, after they have been washed, the taste and smell of fish will disappear.

MUD STAINS

Mud stains on umbrellas may be removed by rubbing the parts with a rag dipped in methylated spirit.

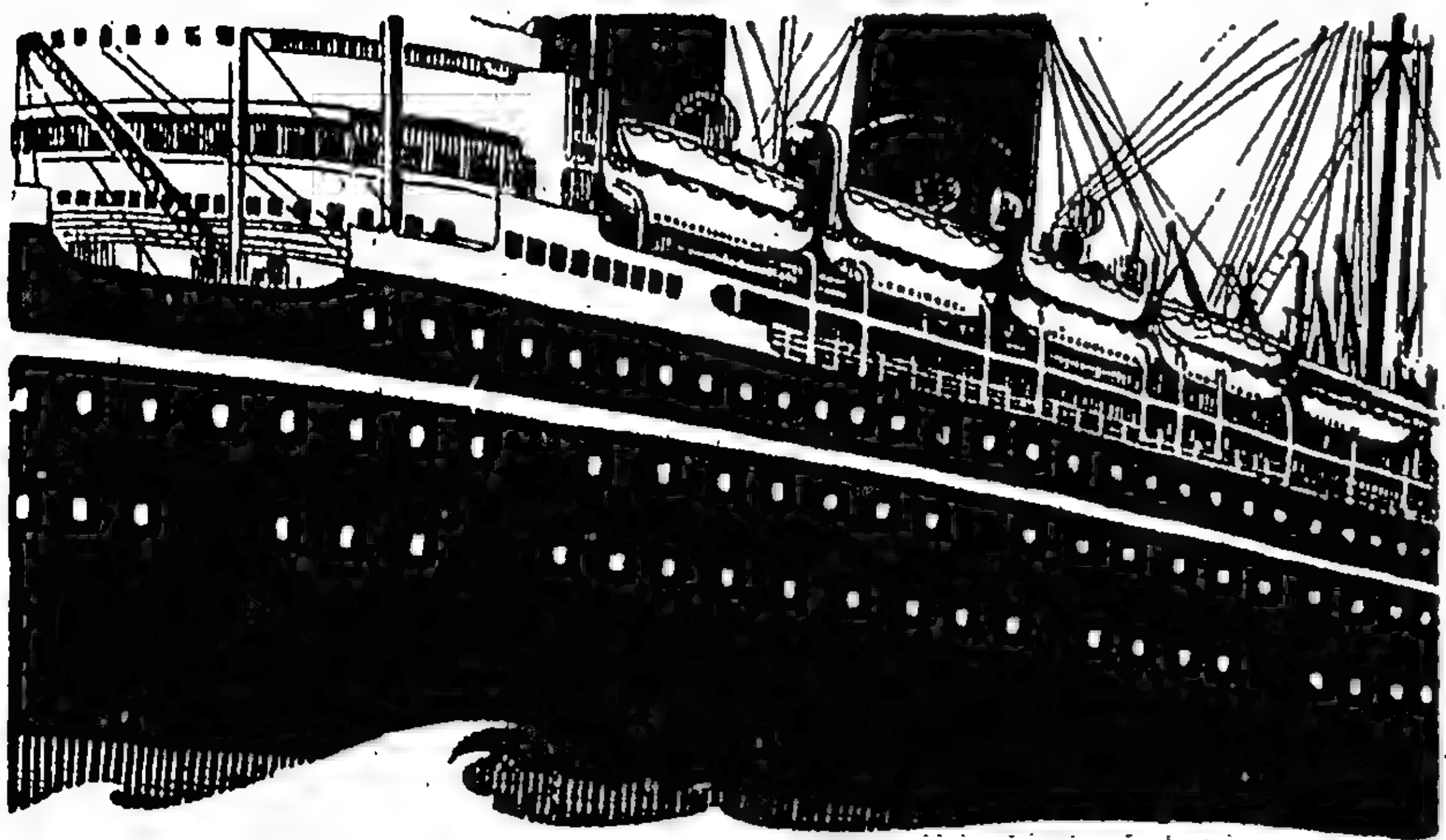


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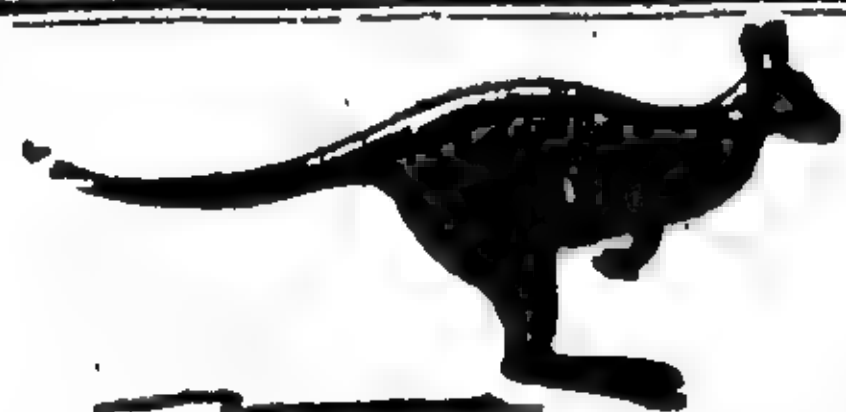
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Straits	Cremer	May 16.
Manila	Granville	May 16.
Haiphong	Canton	May 17.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	May 17.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kiangsu	May 17.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date, 29th April)	Emp. of Asia	May 17.
Manila	Scharnhorst	May 17.
Straits	Achilles	May 17.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 11th May	Pan-American Airways Plane	May 18.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 13th May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 18.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	May 18.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
MONDAY		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 22nd May.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., May 15.	K.P.O.
	Reg.,	May 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	May 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 22nd May.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., May 15.	K.P.O.
	Reg.,	May 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	May 15, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY		
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjibadak	Tues., May 16, 10.30 a.m.
Port Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kaying	May 16, 2 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 22nd June.	Menestheus	Tues., May 16, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Parcels,	May 16, 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Swatow	Kwaisang	Wed., May 17, 12.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Esang	Wed., May 17, 2.00 p.m.
Swatow	Hoihow	Wed., May 17, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., May 17, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Scharnhorst	Wed., May 17, 4.30 p.m.
THURSDAY		
Dairen	Talhybius	Thur., May 18, 9.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thur., May 18, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Atuta Maru	Thur., May 18, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A.	Pres. Pierce	Thursday, May 18.
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	Regis.,	Thur., May 18, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels,	Thur., May 18, 4.00 p.m.
	Regis.,	Thur., May 18, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., May 18, 7.00 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
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	Ord.,	Thur., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
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	Regis.,	Thur., May 18, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	Thur., May 18, 7.00 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney 26th May.	Imperial Airways Plane Thur., May 18.	K.P.O.
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	Ord.,	Thur., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
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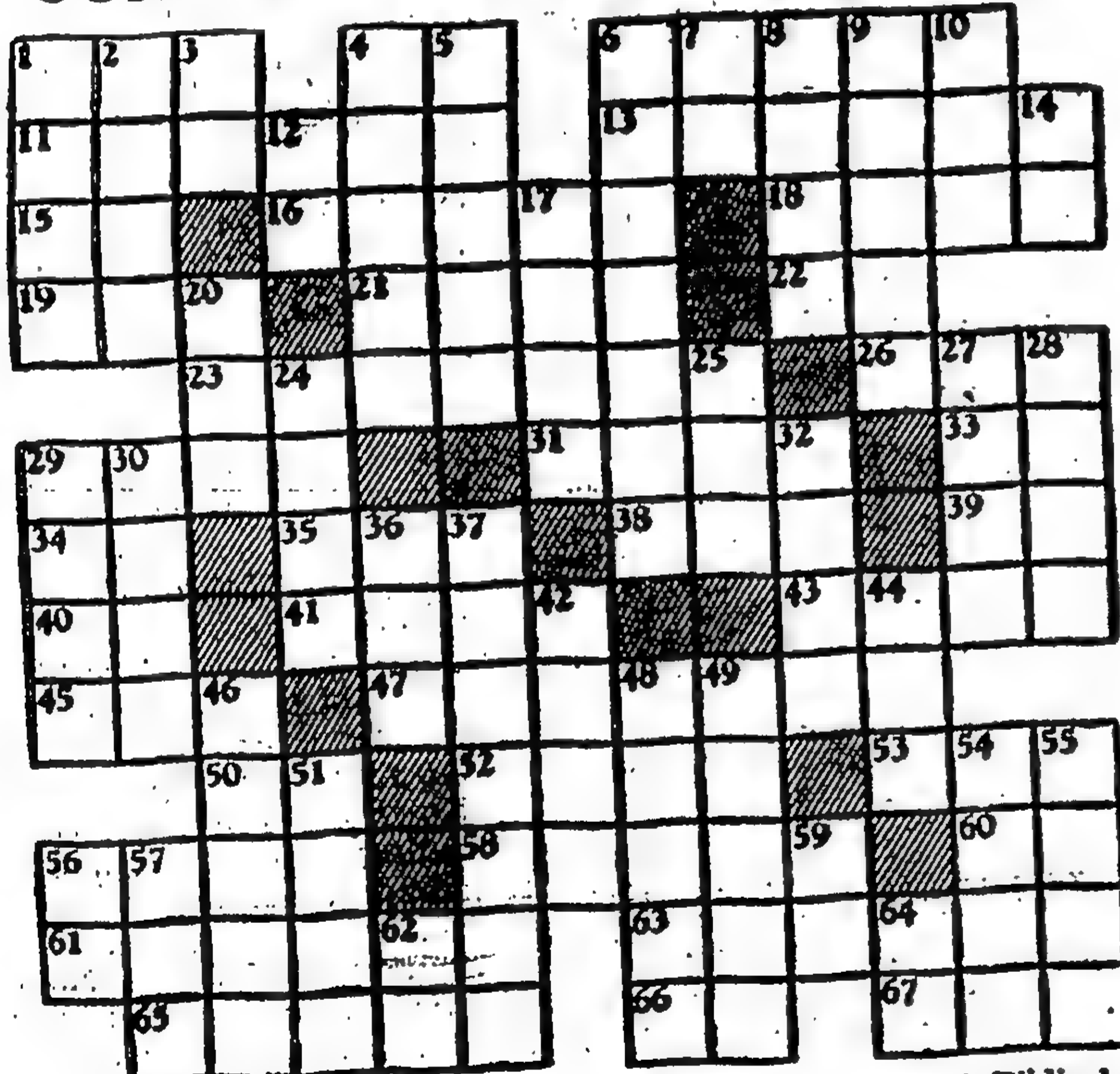
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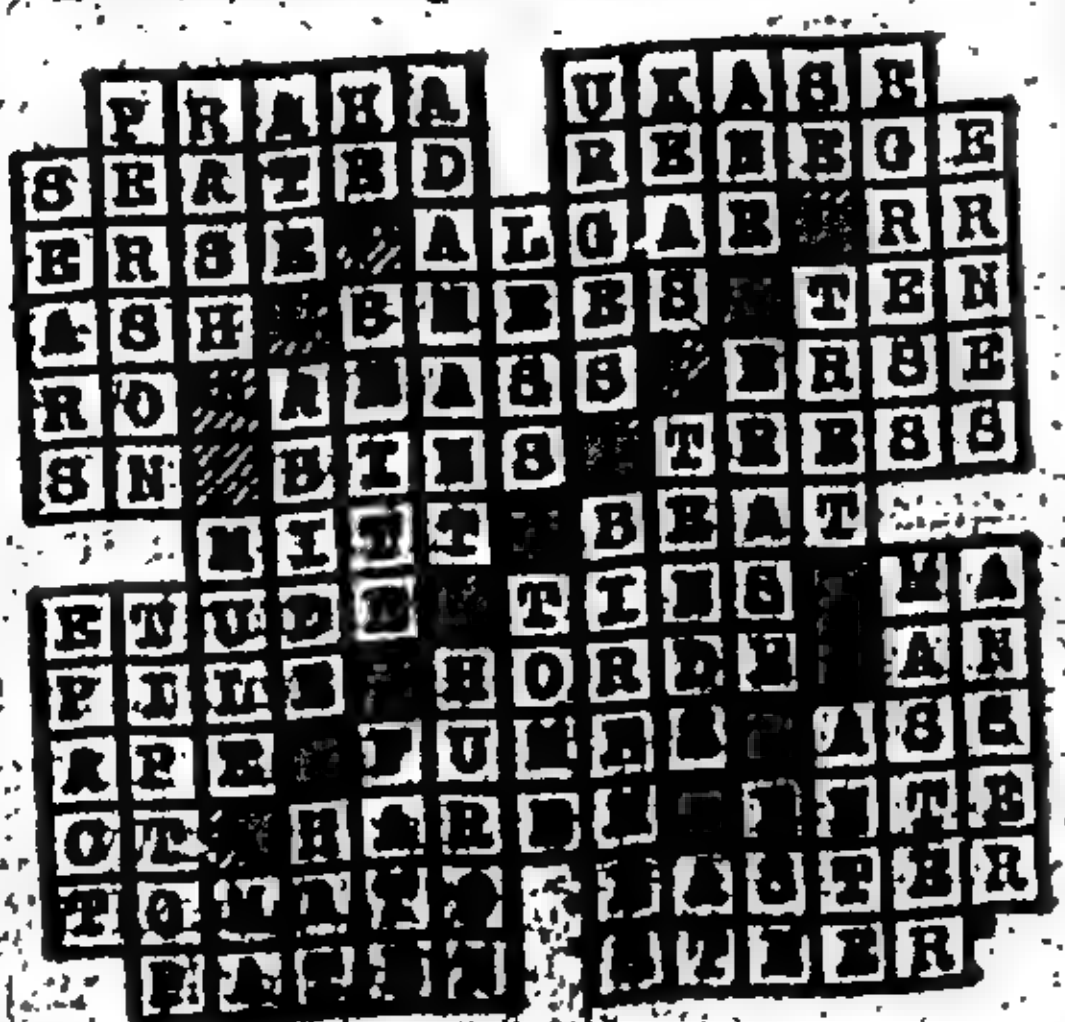


HORIZONTAL
 1 Combining form: very
 4 Senior (abbr.)
 6 Pertaining to former time (pl.)
 11 Musical piece
 13 Require
 15 Toward
 16 Female
 18 River in Italy
 19 Greek letter
 21 Had reclined
 22 Note of scale
 23 Real estate broker
 26 Morose
 29 Repetition
 31 Frozen water crystals
 33 A negative
 34 Conjunction
 35 Allow
 38 Body of water
 39 Pronoun
 40 Prefix: not
 41 Hurt
 43 Corrupt
 45 Tennis stroke
 47 Figure of speech (pl.)
 50 Thoroughfare (abbr.)

52 Italian coins
 53 Combining form: the sea
 56 Masculine
 58 South American ruminant
 60 Note of scale
 61 Descendant of Shem
 63 Alarm bell
 65 Church council
 66 Printer's measure

VERTICAL
 1 Italian city
 2 Settle
 3 Preposition
 4 Roman garment
 5 Pertaining to a branch
 6 Narrow streamers
 7 Article
 8 Featured performer
 9 Biblical weeds
 10 To err
 12 Slangy interjection
 14 Look
 17 River islands
 20 Skill
 24 Fish (pl.)
 25 Fish eggs
 27 Indigo
 28 Love to excess
 29 Shore bird
 30 Capital of Norway
 32 Ocean swell
 36 Goddess of dawn
 37 Quivered
 42 Man's name
 44 Doctrine
 46 Assuaging
 48 Angry
 49 Citrus fruit
 51 Channel
 54 Essayist's pen name
 55 Rage
 56 Manuscript (abbr.)
 57 Roman bronze
 59 Alternating current (abbr.)
 62 Preposition
 64 Therefore

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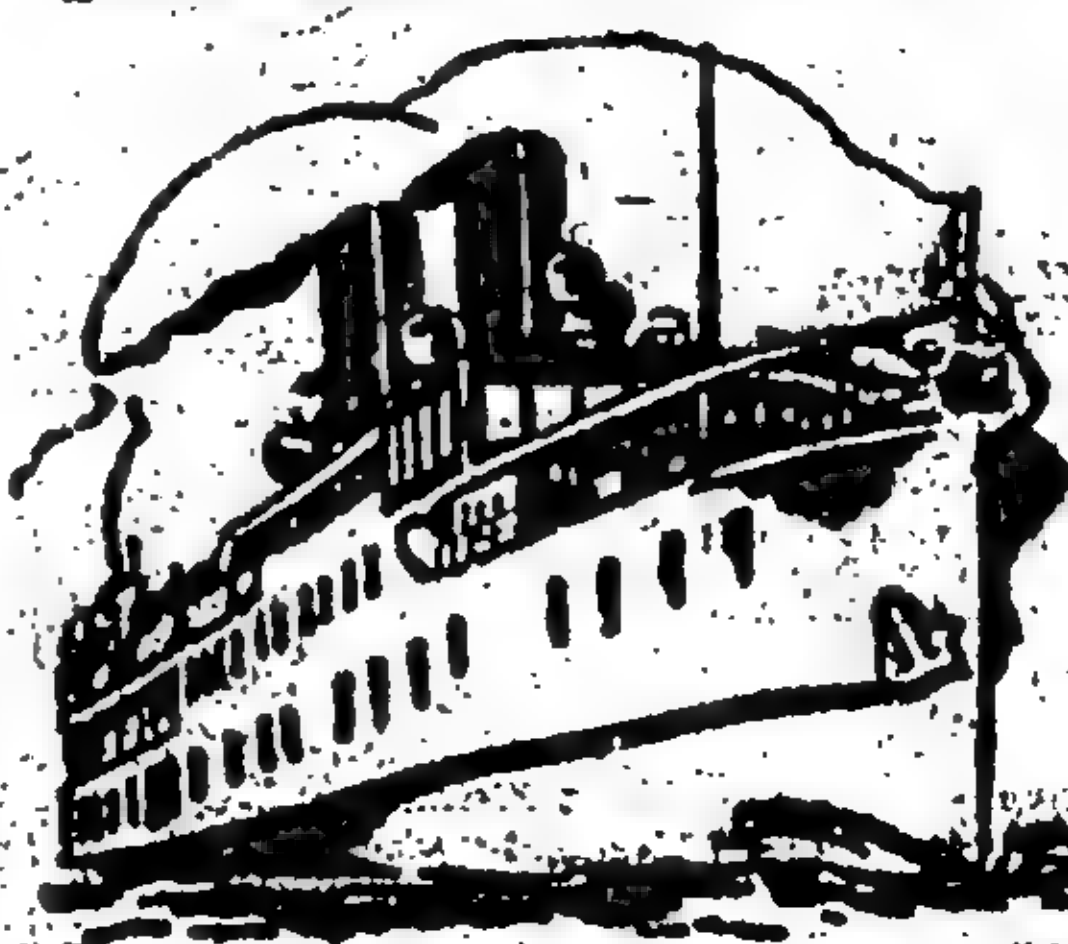
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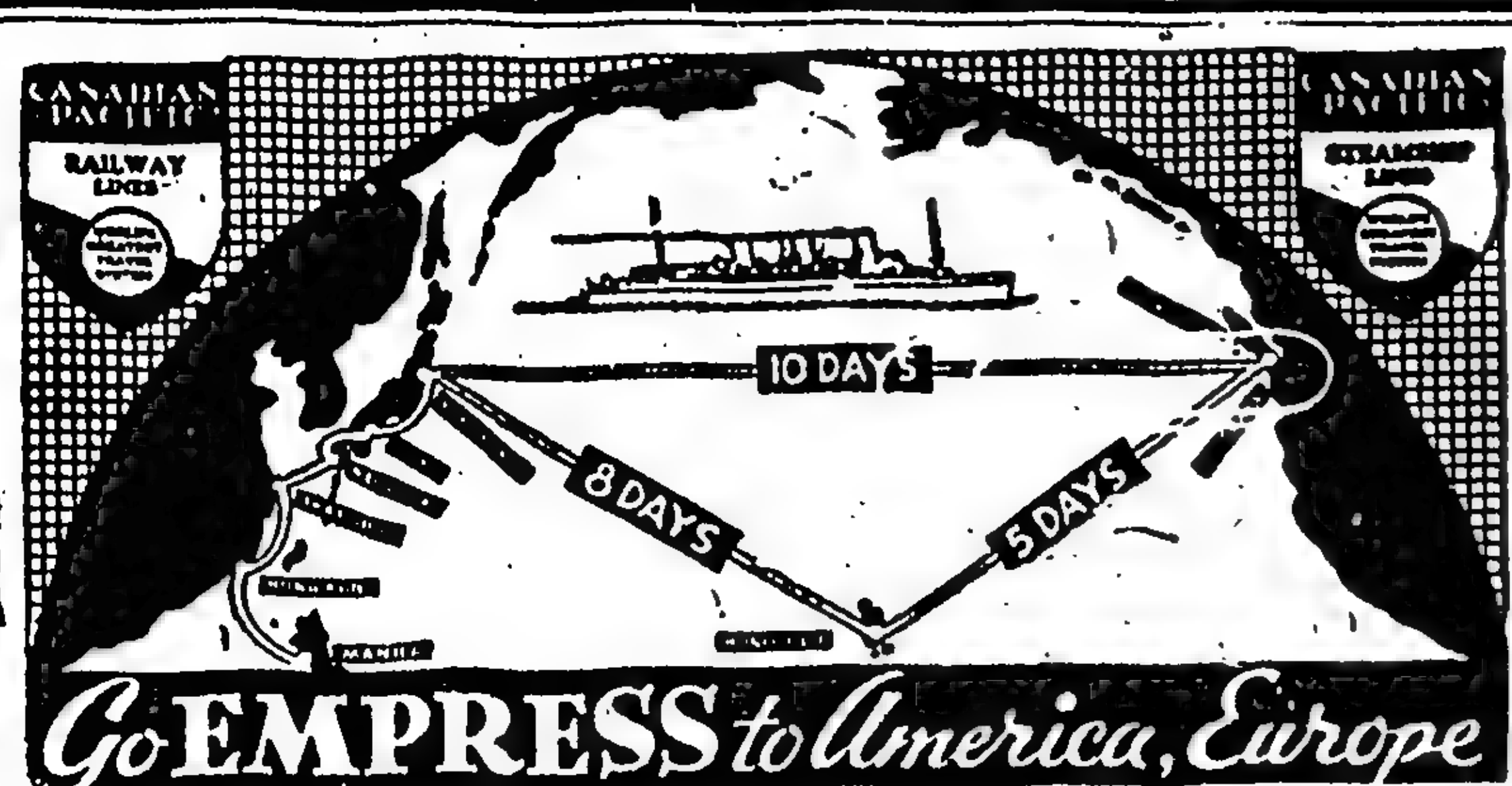
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Speaking at Ennis (Co. Clare), he said:—

"From a united Ireland Britain would have nothing to fear. A free, united Ireland would have every interest in being on friendly terms with her nearest neighbour, whereas an Ireland that is kept unfree or kept divided can have no such interest.

"The desire of the Irish people and the desire of the Irish Government is to keep our nation out of war. To enforce this policy will require the closest co-operation between all sections of the Irish people.

"The people know that our next immediate object is to get the jurisdiction of that State accepted throughout the whole national territory.

"We want not merely the restoration of the surrendered territory, but the heart and loyalty of the people who live in it.

"Is it too much to hope that in this time of anxiety and impending danger our fellow countrymen in the North-East who differed from us in the past would join with us for the defence of those rights which we hold in common?"

BOMBARDMENT NEAR KOWKONG

Shiuhing, To-day.

A number of shallow-draught Japanese gunboats at Kowkong, under the direction of an air squadron, opened a ceaseless bombardment on Wongpachang on the outskirts of Hokshan yesterday morning.

The number of Japanese forces at Kowkong has been increased, heralding fresh operations in the Hokshan district.

Hoihow, a village in the Hokshan district, was invaded by Japanese armed launches yesterday morning from Hotsing. Chinese defenders kept the Japanese from landing. — Central News.

TUNNEL SQUAD

Miners and quarrymen are to form one of the strangest units in the A.R.P. Service in Newcastle-on-Tyne. The disused Victoria Tunnel, used to transport coal from Spital Tongues to the Quayside, under the centre of the city, is to be turned into a deep air-raid shelter. The corps of miners and quarrymen now wanted by the A.R.P. authorities are to help keep this tunnel prepared as a shelter.

New entrances are to be driven into the tunnel, which, if plans are confirmed by the Home Office, will accommodate thousands of people.

Other tunnels and coal drifts under the city are being explored, and it is hoped that they will provide Newcastle with one of the best series of deep shelters in the country.

MACAO RACE MEETING

The following are the results of yesterday's Macao Race Meeting:—

1.—THE DUXFORD HANDICAP.—

Five Furlongs.
Mrs. G. W. Cooper and Mrs. P. E. Bedell's Merry Fatty (G. W. Cooper) 1
H. Y. Liang's Meadow Eve (K. I. Ip) 2
J. H. Potts' Gold Clause (W. N. Yeh) 3
Won by a neck; a length.
Time: 15.1, 49.1, 1.24.4.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$10.60. Places \$7.00, \$9.70, \$10.20.
Cash Sweep: No. 245, \$180.30; No. 312, \$51.60; No. 357, \$25.70. Unplaced starters: Nos. 219, 116, 110 and 305, \$10.00 each.

2.—THE SHELFORD HANDICAP.—

One and a Quarter Miles.
Mrs. Gellion's Eagle (A. W. Raymond) 1
C. S. W.'s Iron Knight (K. I. Ip) 2
O-Moon's Cloudy Star (P. L. Chiu) 3
Won by half length; two lengths.
Time: 33.3, 1.17.3, 1.30.2, 2.04.3.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$13.70. Places \$5.20, \$6.30, \$5.10.
Cash Sweep: No. 77, \$225.60; No. 352, \$64.40; No. 71, \$32.20. Unplaced starters: Nos. 437, 146, 185 and 86, \$10.00 each.

3.—THE KENNET HANDICAP.—

Six Furlongs.
Mrs. Gellion's Fairy Auk (G. R. Payne) 1
J. H. Potts' Shanghai 4 (H. J. A. Hearne) 2
H. C. McComb's Hogmanay (P. L. Chiu) 3
Won by half length; the same.
Time: 33.2, 1.06.4, 1.41.3.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$87.20. Places \$11.10, \$7.30, \$9.30.
Cash Sweep: No. 496, \$264.80; No. 440, \$75.60; No. 220, \$27.80. Unplaced starters: Nos. 359, 268, 69 and 384, \$10.00 each.

4.—THE BERKS HANDICAP.—

Once Round.
Miss Fearon's Palmer (P. Y. T. Wei) 1
A. H. P.'s King's Parade (A. W. Raymond) 2
Kia Ora's Arabian Cat (G. W. Hook) 3
Won by two lengths; three lengths.
Time: 33.3, 56.4, 1.29.4, 2.03.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$65.30. Places \$18.00, \$9.50, \$15.90.
Cash Sweep: No. 264, \$264.60; No. 374, \$75.60; No. 211, \$37.80. Unplaced starters: Nos. 30, 528, 166, 37, 150, 279 and 364, \$10.00 each.

5.—THE LAMCHEN CUP.—

One Mile.
Lan's Plain View (H. C. Pih) 1
H. C. C.'s Dekko (P. Y. T. Wei) 2
L. W. F.'s Gold Sovereign (P. L. Chiu) 3
Won by a length; two lengths.
Time: 31.1, 1.03.3, 1.35, 2.06.1.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$24.70. Places \$8.60, \$5.60, \$7.60.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to-morrow.

U.S. BASEBALL

New York, To-day.
The following were the results of games played yesterday:—
National League

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	1	11	0
New York	2	9	1
(Game went to 10 innings).			
Brooklyn	0	9	1
(Fette pitched).			
Boston	1	7	2
St. Louis	9	10	1
Cincinnati	5	7	4
Lombardi and Craft homered.			
Chicago	2	11	0
Philadelphia	5	8	1

—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-23/32.
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Opening Matches Should Provide Much Interest

SATURDAY'S LEAGUE BOWLS RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION			
Indian R.C.	65	Police R.C.	51
Kowloon C.C.	66	Kowloon Dock R.C.	43
Kowloon B.G.C.	64	Club de Recreio "B"	38
Craigengower C.C.	94	Civil Service C.C.	59
SECOND DIVISION			
H.K. Football Club	56	Civil Service C.C.	53
Craigengower C.C.	79	Kowloon Football Club	36
Kowloon B.G.C.	51	Taikoo Dock R.C.	50
Police R.C.	66	Kowloon Tong	65
THIRD DIVISION			
R.H.K. Yacht Club	58	Craigengower C.C.	57
H.K. Electric R.C.	37	Kowloon B.G.C.	65
Club de Recreio	71	Kowloon Football Club	56
H.K. Football Club	61	Prison Officers' Club	39

TENNIS

HENKEL RETAINS GERMAN TITLE

Brunswick, To-day.

The German tennis championship tournament ended here yesterday with Henner Henkel successfully defending his title in the men's singles by easily defeating the Berlin player Goepfert in the finals by 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.

Henkel's victory was a somewhat hollow one since his two most formidable opponents did not participate in the final rounds, Roderick Menzel being compelled to withdraw owing to illness and Georg von Metaxa dropping out of the competition because of a sprained wrist sustained in the semi-finals.

It is hoped that both players will be in shape to take part in the Davis Cup match against Poland,

which will begin next Friday. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH VICTORY

Paris, To-day.

France beat Britain 12-9 in the annual lawn-tennis encounter of the International Clubs of the two countries. — Reuter.

BASKET-BALL PROTEST: FINAL TO BE REPLAYED

Following a protest lodged by the South China Athletic Association Basket-ball Team with regard to the alleged faulty refereeing of one of the Umpires in the final match of the Basket League against the "Sing Tao Jih Pao" Basket-ball combination last week, the Basket-ball Association has ordered the match to be replayed.

The re-play will take place tomorrow evening at 6.30 p.m., to decide the Championship.

University Will Be Severely Tested In Debut Game

(By "ADREM")

THE Lawn Tennis League starts this afternoon with a programme of three "A" Division matches.

All these games should be interesting.

At Causeway Bay, Chinese Recreation Club, who are almost certain to win the championship, will be opposed to University, making an appearance in this Division for the first time for some years.

University have some very promising players, mostly Chinese students from Malaya, among whom, of course, Lim Thian-tet, former Perak champion, comes to mind as one of the best newcomers of the year.

South China, they have quite a useful line-up, will be severely tested by Recreio, whom they play on foreign territory. A very keen tussle should result from this game with not more than a set or two in it at the finish.

Hong Kong Cricket Club entertain their old rivals of the cricket field, Kowloon Cricket Club. They will have the services of W. A. H. Duff and L. Goldman, but the better balance of the Kowloon team should carry them through and I expect an odd-set victory.

The following is the opening week's fixtures, the first named club being the hosts:

TO-DAY

"A" Division

C.R.C. v H.K.U.T.C.
C.D.R. v S.C.A.A.
H.K.C.C. v K.C.C.

TO-MORROW

"B" Division

C.C.C. v K.C.C. (B)
C.D.R. v C.R.C.
C.S.C.C. v S.C.A.A.
H.K.C.C. v K.I.T.C.

WEDNESDAY

"C" Division

C.C.C. v C.B.A.
C.R.C. v K.T.G.C.A.
C.D.R. v S.C.A.A.
R.P.S.C. v I.R.C.

THURSDAY

"D" Division (I)

K.T.G.C.A. v I.R.C. (B)
K.D.R.C. v K.C.C.
Y.M.C.A. v K.I.T.C.

"D" Division (II)

I.R.C. (A) v C.R.C.
C.D.R. v S.C.A.A.
R.P.S.C. v C.S.C.C.

FRIDAY

Mixed Doubles

K.C.C. (B) v C.R.C.
U.S.R.C. v C.D.R.
H.K.C.C. v K.C.C. (A)

Affiliated Rifle Club.—Naval Range Staff 192.

International Match.—China 238; (Sub. Insp. C. C. Chau, Sgt. P. H. Thong, Sgt. C. Wong, and L/Sgt. N. L. Pan).

Inter-Universities.—Edinburgh 60; Senior Member's Match.—Army 72; Governor's Cup.—1, P. O. Swan, N.R.S., 328; 2, Sgt. Russell, H.K.P., 321; 3, P/Sgt. Thong, H.K.P.R., 313; 4, E. R. A. Keiller, 4 S/M, 312; 5, E. A. Gilpin, 4 S/M, 311; 6, Sgt. Hoap, N.R.S., and Cadet Carey, N.V.F., 310; 8, Lieut. Otway, R.E., and Sgt. Roberts, H.K.P., 309; 10, S/Insp. Chau, H.K.P.R. and E.R.A. Templeton, 4 S/M, 308; 12, C.S.M. Maslen, R.E., and Lieut. La Selveur, R.E., 307; 13, P/Sgt. Chan, H.K.P.R., 306; 14, Mr. Austin, D.R.C., 305; 15, Cpl. Cole 304; 16, C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Midd., 301; 17, Sgt. Gowon, H.K.P., and Sgt. Cooper, 1/Midd., 300.

K.C.C. LEAGUE TENNIS PAIRINGS

Following their League Tennis practice yesterday, Kowloon Cricket Club have selected the following teams for their opening matches:

"A" Division—E. C. Fincher (Capt.) and G. C. Burnett; A. E. P. Guest and A. Crawford; and S. A. Gray and F. Grose.

"B" Division (I)—N. A. E. Mackay (Capt.) and R. T. Broadbridge; B. Soltan and W. M. Gittins; and F. Grose and A. V. White.

"B" Division (2)—F. A. Broadbridge (Capt.) and D. Hung; J. Turner and A. L. Fisher; and E. Eymard and R. E. Lee.

"D" Division—J. M. Gillard (Capt.) and H. W. Crabbe; K. Broch and H. Burson; and A. C. Perry and T. A. Madar. Reserve—R. Blyth.

Mixed Doubles (1)—E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Burnett; G. C. Burnett and Mrs. Sweeney; A. E. P. Guest and Mrs. Clark.

Mixed Doubles (2)—S. A. Gray and Mrs. Smeby; D. J. N. Anderson and Miss Harker; A. V. White and Mrs. Knight. Reserves—Miss Bradbury and Mrs. Eymard.

A practice match for the two mixed doubles teams has been arranged for to-morrow, at 5.15 p.m.

C.S.C.C. TENNIS TEAMS

Following have been selected to represent Civil Service Cricket Club in the Tennis League this week.

To-morrow—v South China A.A. I. Agafuroff and B. Agafuroff; J. A. Bendall and W. J. Skinner; S. C. Peak and W. H. E. Colledge.

Thursday—v R.P.S.C. N. J. Bebbington and B. Baxter; L. G. Buckle and A. J. Peaker; A. M. J. Wright and E. F. A. Morgan.

'Bisley' Rifle Meeting Concludes

A presentation to Major G. P. Murray, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Rifle Association was made at the range yesterday by His Excellency the Governor at the conclusion of the final day of the Hong Kong "Bisley" meeting.

Major Murray is leaving for home early in June.

His Excellency, the Governor, who had luncheon on the range, later presented the prizes.

The following were the results of yesterday's shoot.

Secretary's Cup.—1, Sgt. Perkins, H.K.P., 33; 2, Mr. Boulter, D.R.C., 33; 3, C. P. O. Davoy, 4 S/M, 32; 4, P. O. Swan, N.R.S., and E.R.A., Keiller, 4 S/M, 32; 6, S/Insp. Chau, H.K.P.R., 32; 7, E. A. Gilpin, 4 S/M, 32; E. A. Templeton, 4 S/M, 32.

Inter-Imperial.—Royal Navy 104. Machine Gun Match.—1, "D" Coy. 2/R Scots, 184; 2, Middlesex "B", 185. Services Machine Gun Challenge Cup.—"D" Coy. 2/R Scots, 184.

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CRICKET

THE WEST INDIAN TEAM

"Their Methods Are More Dynamic Than Static"

A Side Of Many Talents; Plenty Of Dash And Vigour

London, April 30.

IN an age when other things besides cricket are suffering from an excess of central-heating, the West Indians bring to our cricket a breath of fresh air. Their methods are more dynamic than static; idealistic rather than utilitarian.

I fancy that the West Indian batsman, as I have seen him, would rather be bowled trying to drive the ball to the extra-cover boundary than play an indeterminate stroke, sometimes half-described as the half-cock, and leave the rest to the umpire, writes the cricket correspondent of "The Observer."

The bolder policy passes in these days for a fault. That may be. But it is a fault descended on both sides from the most aristocratic of cricket ancestry, from parents who are still remembered and honoured in English—and other—cricket.

I do not speak, for the moment, of such artists as Mr. G. Challenor and G. Headley; the former now almost a regret—a desiderium—of beautiful stroke-play; the latter moving in the plenitude of skill; nor of Leary Constantine—of whom (as they say) later—these are batsmen of adaptability, not unaware of variation in climate, occasion, pitch; but I speak of the "general award" of West Indian batsmen their average player, and I cannot avoid reflecting whether he will this season join our modern school of pragmatists, who have learned the efficacy of the "pendulum" stroke on chemical pitches, or whether he will remain as free as nature taught him and cricket meant him to be.

Liked By Crowds

I fear the former and I hope the latter. For I would not have the West Indian batsman alter his method of attack, his scheme of liberty. He was born for sally, not for siege, for foray, not for entrenchment, nor must be care that he has earned the name rather for capture than for consolidation. Our crowds like him the better for these debatable weaknesses. We can give him indulgence and attention for all this. May nature give him the sun as well. I wish even that we could give him his own crowds, chattering with excitement, and depending precariously from trees.

The West Indians last came to England in 1933, led by G. C. Grant, elder brother of their present captain. They suffered two defeats and made one draw. The principal failing occurred in the batting. The bowling, especially that of E. A. Martindale, whose speed is said to be undiminished, was good. But I think that the performance best remembered by both the West Indians and us was the classic century of D. R. Jardine at Old Trafford. It was, if my memory serves me, his last century in first-class cricket—almost his last appearance. The pitch, for once, was inclined to be fiery; Hammond was cut over by a rising ball, and Jardine faced an attack, after his own heart, with almost contemptuous ease. When at last he was caught very low and very well by Constantine in the gulley off Martindale the crowd rose to him.

A Hitter Of Fame

In the winter of 1934-35 R. E. S. Wyatt captained a Marylebone team in the West Indies. The West Indians won two of the four Tests, lost one and drew one. It would be easy to attribute M.C.C.'s failure to certain amiable, if eccentric variations in the batting order; but in truth the majority of our batsmen were perplexed and defeated by some remarkably fine, fast bowling.

The present team consists of sixteen cricketers. R. E. S. Grant, the captain, played twice in 1938, against England under his brother's captaincy. He was

then an undergraduate at Cambridge, a slow-medium off-spinner and a grand fieldsman. Four others of this team appeared against England here in 1933—I. Barrow, a sound wicket-keeper and batsman; G. Headley, one of the four best batsmen in the world; E. A. Martindale, and L. N. Constantine. Two others, L. G. Hylton, a more than fast-medium bowler, and J. E. D. Sealy, a medium-pace bowler and attractive batsman, played against Wyatt's M.C.C. touring team.

These are the seven, then, who have been, as it were, initiated. Constantine, Headley, and Martindale, who have, in the past, given intermittent service to the Lancashire League, have signed on for the whole trip. Constantine is the senior member. I remember him first in 1923 at Weston-super-Mare, a cover-point of such agility that mid-off could sleep where he stood. On that occasion he was not asked to bowl; perhaps he couldn't. He also batted not far above the extras. Since then he has earned fame as a hitter of fer-



EDDIE PAYNTER, the Lancashire cricketer, who has just returned from a most successful tour of South Africa, was among the players who reported at Old Trafford, Manchester, for the official opening of the season.

cious audacity—he once hit a six to fine leg at Lord's—and as a bowler of both speed and variety. The years have a little impaired that speed, but by compensation, have increased the

latent cunning. I hope that his zest has not been blunted by the personal occasions of League cricket and the iteration of being the weekly star; for there is only one of his kind.

Then there is J. H. Cameron, of Cambridge University and Somerset, slow spin bowler and good batsman, a keen and studious player whose intimate knowledge of present-day English cricketers must be of help to his captain. For the rest, until there is the benefit of autopsy and performance, the book must speak:

T. Johnson: fast bowler, left arm, round the wicket.

E. A. V. Williams: fast bowler. J. B. Stollineyer: good batsman and leg-spin bowler, eighteen years old, the youngest member of the team.

V. H. Stollineyer: elder brother of the above, steady opening batsman.

K. H. Weekes: a wicket-keeper and a sound left-hand batsman.

H. P. Bayley: a number three batsman.

C. B. Clarke: a googly bowler of promise.

It is said that some very good players have been left behind; but, as Cinderella must have said more than once, this may happen to the best of us.

GOLF STANCE

By BEST BALL

How far apart should one keep his feet when assuming a golf stance. There is no hard and fast rule because too many factors enter into the situation. A tall player naturally would place his feet wider apart than a shorter player to maintain good balance yet the stance for the taller player may be narrower in proportion to his height than that of the player of

dress the player should feel relaxed and this can be accomplished only if the player's feet are moderately close together.

The result of this posture is that the player's muscles will be pliant and enable a smooth, wide body turn. There will be no inclination of the body to fall off balance during the stroke and ruin the performance. In the above illustration notice the width of Bobby Jones's stance in the early part of his career as compared with his stance in the late twenties. His feet are closer together in the latter stage, allowing a smoother, fuller stroke.

Wednesday.—Putting Tactics.

GRAPHIC GOLF



lesser height. The only rule that seems to meet the approval of all golfers, is to adopt a comfortable stance. This means that at ad-

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Other People's Views

Nothing annoys me more than when people talk disparagingly of the mentality of professional footballers.—Tommy Muirhead.

I believe that if wage limits were abolished and the English Football League drastically cut down in respect of the number of clubs we should get better League football.—Rowland Allen.

If Tommy Farr traded punches with me in the same way he did with Red Burman, the fight would not go the distance. I can take everything Farr can send over, but whether Tommy can

stand up to my punches is a gamble. I think I have the beating of him.—Jack London.

I regard I. A. R. Peebles as one of many innocent victims of over-coaching. So ignorant were they at Oxford in his year that they used him at times as a fast bowler! He had a naturally good leg-break as well as a deceptive googlie.—E. H. D. Sewell.

All I know is that Henry Armstrong is fast; he has a world of stamina; he can box and throws more punches than any fighter around in the last ten years; he hits with some power from

£1000 CHALLENGE TO KANE

London, April 27 — A £1000 challenge was issued yesterday on behalf of Kild Tanner (British Guiana) to Peter Kane (Golborne), world fly-weight champion. Tanner, who now lives in Liverpool, is the bantam and feather weight champion of British Guiana.

any angle; and he's vicious in the ring, and game and a good boxer. He is not a one-punch killer, but the combination

of the power he packs and the quantity of swings that he lands makes him invincible for the time being, and just about an even money bet to knock out any fighter within 10 lbs. of his own weight.—Lawton Carver, U.S. sports writer.

We will leave it to those more intimately concerned (with the European boxing championships) to get all het up over some of the weird, wonderful, and cock-eyed decisions that were handed out, appealed against, and, in several cases, reversed. At least three of the British team were involved in doubtful verdicts, but nobody can be really surprised about that. There has never yet been an international boxing meeting free of these undesirable happenings—you just have to take your chance when you enter. No use howling to high heaven about it afterwards.—A writer in "Boxing."



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THRILLING CUP-FINAL

Big Win For Portsmouth

TWO GOALS IN EACH HALF

FAST MOVING ATTACK AND SOUND DEFENCE

Portsmouth (2) 4 Wolverhampton Wan. (0) .. 1

ONCE again the germ of truth, bred in tradition, which lays it down that the favourites never win the Football Association Challenge Cup, has exerted itself.

At Wembley yesterday, Portsmouth beat Wolverhampton Wanderers by four goals to one, and take the Cup south of London for the first time in the history of the competition.

Not for eleven years at least has any team been so strongly fancied to win the trophy as were Wolverhampton Wanderers, but they were more thoroughly outplayed, as far as the real art and craft of the game are concerned, than has any side been since final ties were first played at Wembley. Portsmouth played with less suggestion of nerves; more calm and collected football than any team before in a final tie at Wembley. It cannot possibly be said of this game—as of so many other final ties—that the better team did not win.

Let it be admitted, quite frankly, that as a team, Wolverhampton Wanderers gave a most disappointing display. So much had been expected of them: they achieved so little. Indeed, it is not much exaggeration to say that the Wolverhampton men gave the poorest exhibition of football in a Cup final of our time. They scarcely ever settled down to play what their supporters have come to regard as their normal game. The real mystery of the match is how a team which is capable of playing so well could descend to such a mediocre level. It was not a case of a side merely playing as well as their opponents would allow them to do, although Portsmouth must be given full credit for the persistence and grit which they brought to bear, and which prevented the Wolverhampton men from settling down. The Midlanders, however, contributed to their own downfall by bad tactics, and by individual errors, both of omission and commission.

Over At Half-Time

In one respect the biggest attendance at Wembley since 1923 must have been disappointed. The game was over, to all intents and purposes, at half-time, when Portsmouth led by two goals to nothing, and it was certainly finished, as a contest of possibilities, immediately after the re-start. It was not third time lucky for Portsmouth, but the third time paid for all, for they have been twice to Wembley on previous occasions to finish as losers. The touch of tragedy from the Wolverhampton point of view lies in the fact that, so far as it can be said that one Portsmouth man did more than any other to bring about this result, Barlow, the inside-left, was that player. Yet two months ago Barlow was a Wolverhampton player, being then transferred to Portsmouth.

One touch of personal regret should be interposed. Guthrie, the captain of Portsmouth, conceded more free-kicks than any other player on the field giving the impression that his unnecessarily drastic measures in dealing with the left wing opposed to him may have had the effect of reducing the effectiveness of the opposition considerably. The foregoing should not be construed as a suggestion that this Cup Final was notable for unfair tactics. Most of the free-kicks, of which there were merely a normal quantity, were the outcome of technical offences, forgivable when the importance of the occasion is remembered.

On Their Toes

For the greater part of the game it almost seemed as if the Wolverhampton players were so convinced of their own superiority that it was scarcely

time a player of the Midland side, safely in possession of the ball, would lose it to an opponent whose presence in a position to tackle was not even suspected. That, of course, is one way of saying that Portsmouth were more on their toes, and revealed greater pace. While the Wolverhampton players adopted the policy of waiting for the ball, those of Portsmouth ran to it, and, having done the running to secure possession, kept both the ball and their own feet. The men of the winning side on their toes; the men of the losing side on their heels. That, granting the writer a little licence, is as near a correct summary of the game, and conveying the secret of Portsmouth's success, as it is possible to get.

When any member of the Portsmouth forward line was on the move there was a colleague racing into position for the pass—to give him actual as well as moral support in beating an opponent, or, at any rate, making him doubt the wisdom of a full-blooded tackle. By way of contrast the forwards of Wolverhampton Wanderers did not find the open spaces. Rather did the inside men play so closely together that they were often in the way of one another, losing chances of making headway, and possibly even scoring, in consequence. This inability of Wolverhampton to make room in which to work the ball rendered the task of the Portsmouth defenders much easier than it otherwise would have been.

As a team Wolverhampton failed to rise to the occasion, whereas Portsmouth played above their normal form. The same sort of thing has happened in previous final ties, and it will happen again in the future. Why it should be so is beyond explanation, save perhaps that the thick, close-cropped carpet of grass at Wembley provided such a striking contrast to the surfaces on which Wolverhampton have revealed their best form during the earlier rounds. Most of all does the outcome of this match demonstrate the folly behind the suggestion, put forward so often while waiting for the final tie, that the playing of it was a mere formality, with the only question outstanding that of the margin by which Wolverhampton Wanderers would win. If memories were not so short it might even be said that the play, and the result, will end for ever all talk of Cup Final favourites.

The Run Of The Game

Cloudy and showery weather made the conditions none too pleasant for the big crowd who steadily filled up the Stadium before the kick-off, and nearly everyone was suitably garbed for rain. While the hands of the Royal Marines, Irish Guards, and Welsh Guards were providing a musical programme light rain set in, but the shower ceased before community singing was begun.

It was announced that the teams would play as selected. This year the number of tickets issued had been increased by 5,919, making a full capacity of 99,638. There was some difficulty in packing the standing spectators into the pens, but generally everything went along in order fashion.

The most impressive scene of all, the whole crowd singing "Abide With Me," concluded the preliminaries before the arrival of the King and Queen, and



AN INCIDENT in the Cup Final.

the first time in a Cup Final, then lined up for the customary presentation to the King.

Next came the toss, Cullis spinning the coin, and Guthrie calling right, so that Westcott, the Wolves centre-forward, was called upon to start the game.

Mr. T. Thompson, the referee, had to whistle for a free kick against Portsmouth, and to stop the play for a knee injury to Rowe, in the first few minutes. A thrilling incident followed. Scott, the Wolves goalkeeper, running out to intercept, was bundled off the ball when twelve or more yards from his position. Worrall quickly lobbed the ball in front of the empty goal, but somehow all efforts to put in a shot were prevented before Scott raced back into goal again.

Burst Down The Centre

From this Portsmouth attack Westcott carried danger to the other end with a fine burst down the centre, but he was soon robbed of the ball. McAlinden was active for Portsmouth, and once Guthrie fed Worrall cleverly. However, the players were a little unsteady during this lively start.

Offside spoilt a move by the other Portsmouth wing, but the Wolves forwards certainly had to play second fiddle for the first twenty minutes or so. Barlow, from the left-wing position, sent in a high centre, which Scott leaped to catch, and still Wolves could not do much more than defend. Then half a chance given to Westcott developed into a thrilling scene in front of Portsmouth's goal. Dorset, taking Westcott's pass, ran forward and shot. But Walker with a double-fisted save turned the ball inches outside the post.

After Burton ran down on Wolverhampton's right wing Dorset, from a throw-in, sent a pass low across the goalmouth. The ball travelled so fast that neither Westcott nor Maguire could reach it. Steady rain was making the turf slippery.

Portsmouth's fast-moving attacks gained their reward of a goal after twenty-nine minutes. For some time, Wolves had shown some slackness in marking, and when Anderson had an opening no one was near enough to prevent him placing a pass to Barlow. From near the penalty spot Barlow aimed the ball carefully into the corner of the net.

Soon afterwards Walker coolly stopped a drive by Burton, but then Portsmouth returned to the attack and their speed on the ball was remarkable.

Late To The Tackle

Anderson and Parker thrilled the crowd in one fine piece of inter-passing. When his winger returned a pass perfectly, Anderson was just too late to get in a shot before Scott flung himself at the ball. Two minutes before half-time Anderson outwitted Cullis and scored a second goal for Portsmouth. The Wolves Centre-half went too late to tackle his man, and though Scott managed to touch the ball with the tips of his fingers, Anderson's swift shot went home, so that Portsmouth were two goals ahead when the interval arrived.

The second half had lasted barely a minute when Portsmouth scored again. Barlow shot from almost the edge of

SOUTH CHINA SELECT "REST" TEAM FOR SATURDAY

The following have been invited by South China Athletic Association to represent the Rest in a friendly charity match against their "A" team on Saturday at Caroline Hill at 4.30 p.m.

Dickerson, Hau Yung-sang, Sheehan, Freshwater, Cooper, Hsu King-seng, Emberson, Thorburn, Hossack, A. V. Gosano, Hau Ching-to, Leonard, Bright, Honniball, Hussain, Gomes and Lee Tak-kee.

As the Hong Kong Football Association and the different clubs have no call on the players during the close season South China had to invite the above players through their last clubs.

When all acceptances or refusals, have been received the team will be chosen.

FRENCH FOOTBALL

Paris, To-day.

Foremost football event in France, the match for the national championship, was played in the Stadium of Colombes yesterday afternoon before 60,000 spectators including the President of the Republic, M. Albert Lebrun.

In an exciting battle featured by expert teamwork and brilliant individual playing, the Racing Club of Paris, defeated Olympique Lille by 3-1.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL BASEBALL RESULTS

The Brewery defeated the U.S.S. Mindanao in their league Baseball game yesterday by 9 runs to 4 while South China made an auspicious return to the League by accounting for Recreio by 7 runs to 5.

desperate effort to check the ball from rolling over the line was foiled by Parker, who applied the finishing touch, and so must be credited with the score.

Almost at once Westcott had an eight yards' shot for Wolverhampton, but he kicked outside. Wolves tried hard to pull themselves together, but their virile opponents gave them few chances for working the ball. However, after eight minutes of the second half Dorset took a short pass from Westcott at his side and shot the ball into the Portsmouth goal.

Extra pace served Portsmouth well. Wolverhampton's efforts, cleverly begun, faded out in mid-field. Neither Gardiner, nor Galley, the Wolves wing-halves, was up to form and their forwards suffered.

A free-kick against Scot for "carrying" was poorly used. The Portsmouth goalkeeper, Walker, was shaken after a collision with Westcott. After twenty-six minutes Portsmouth obtained their fourth goal, a number no side has exceeded in a Wembley final. Parker scored this with a beautifully judged header after Worrall had crossed the ball to him. It was a capital movement well rewarded.

Soon afterwards Worrall threatened another Portsmouth score, but Scott fielded the winger's shot on the run. There were a few cases of a player "taking" the man and not the ball, but in the main play was clean, clever, and exciting. The Wolves were now repeatedly robbed with the greatest of ease.

Wolverhampton had a few chances in the later stages, but they played without real ideas. The faster and, on the day, far more accomplished footballers won the Cup for the first time, and that their victory was deserved to the full was beyond doubt.

So to Guthrie, the Scottish-born captain of Portsmouth, fell the honour of leading the players to receive the Cup and medals.

Portsmouth.—Walker; Morgan, Rochford; Guthrie (captain), Rowe, Wharton; Worrall, McAlinden, Anderson, Barlow, Parker.

Wolverhampton Wanderers.—Scott; Morris, Taylor; Galley, Cullis (captain), Gardiner, Burton, McIntosh, Westcott, Dorset, Maguire.

"The Club Of Queer Trades" From London

To-day's Wireless

Howard Marshall
On M.C.C.
v. West Indies

12.00-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Patricia Rossborough (Piano) and Robinson Cleaver (Organ).
Dizzy Fingers (Confrey).
Manhattan Music Box—Selection.
Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
Magyar Melody—Selection.
Paris Honey-moon—Selection.
H. Robinson Cleaver (Organ) and Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs—Selection (Morey and Churchill).
Sailing Along—Selection.
Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
Carefree—Selection.
H. Robinson Cleaver (Organ) and Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
Musical Sweethearts.
Intro: Polly; Dinah; Nola; Dainty Miss; Miss Annabelle Lee; Somebody stole my Gal.
H. Robinson Cleaver (Organ).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Variety with Vine. More and Nevard. Sophie Tucker and Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
Conversational Man (Lerner and Shapiro).
Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra.
Broken-Hearted Clown—Slow Fox-Trot.
Why Can't We Make Love—Fox-Trot.
Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
Away Down South In Heaven

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(Green and Warren).
Is He The Boy Friend? (Yellen and Ager).
Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra.
The Sheep Were In The Meadow—Fox-Trot (from 'Going Greek').
Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
A Little Bit Of Madeira (Alg. More).
Vine, More and Nevard (Comedians with Piano).
A Little Co-Operation From You—Fox-Trot (from 'Going Greek').
Harry Roy and His Orchestra.
Underneath A Leafy Oak (Aly. More).
Vine, More and Nevard (Comedians with Piano).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Dvorak—Symphony No. 1 In D Minor, Op. 70.
Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Vaclav Talich.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.00 p.m.—"For The Children".
Children's Overture (Quilter).
New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Ealcolm Sargent.
Studio—Serial Story.
"More Very Young" Songs (A. A. Milne—Fraser-Simson).
Intro: Nursery Chairs; Waiting at the Window; Spring Morning; The End.

George Baker (Baritone) with Piano.
6.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
6.32 p.m.—B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
The Black Domino—Overture (Auber—arr. Winterbottom).
Slavonic Dance No. 5 (Dvorak—arr. Williams).
Dance Of The Flowers—Valse (from 'Le Corsaire Ballet'—Delibes).
Conducted by B. Walton O'Donnell.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—Music Hall.
Randolph Sutton (Britain's Premier Light Comedian); at the Piano, Stewart McBean; Ted Ray (Fiddling and Fooling); The BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.
7.45 p.m.—Carrol Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.
Let's Fall In Love (from the film).
Love Is Love, Anywhere (film 'Let's fall in love').
You Never looked So Beautiful (film 'The Great Ziegfeld').
Mine Alone—Fox-Trot (from 'Magyar Melody').
My Own—Fox-Trot (from 'That Certain Age').
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Songs by Luigi Fort and Ruth Etting.
It's Swell Of You (from 'Wake Up And Live').
There's A Lull In My Life (from 'Wake Up and Live').
Ruth Etting.
Ideale (Tosti).
Si Vous L'avez Compris—Melodie (Denza).
Luigi Fort (Tenor) with Orch.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Cricket—M.C.C. v. West Indies.
A commentary during the second day's play by Howard Marshall from Lord's Cricket Ground, London.
8.30 p.m.—Deanna Durbin (Vocal) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
Still As The Night (Bohm, arr. Benedict).
None But The Weary Heart (Tchaikovsky, arr. Benedict).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
La Traviata (Verdi)—Libiamo, li-

biamo ne' lieti calici.
It's Raining Sunbeams (Coslow, Hollander).
Deanna Durbin (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Springtime Serenade (Heykens).
Musical Box (Heykens).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
8.50 p.m.—London Relay—"The Club of Queer Trades" by C. K. Chesterton. Episode 5: 'The Noticeable Conduct of Professor Chadd'. Adapted for broadcasting by Douglas Cleverdon.
Characters: Basil Grant; Gilbert Swinburne; Professor Chadd; Doctor Colman; Mr. Bingham.
Production by Michael Goodwin.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Ronald Gourley in songs at the Piano.
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.
9.50 p.m.—The Gay Nineties Singers.
Botany Bay (Traditional).
The One-Horse Shay (Traditional).
Hot Codlings (Traditional).
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"In Town To-night".
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—
Everybody Dance (film same).
When The Poppies Bloom Again.
Jack Payne and His Band.
Quickstep—
Hunkadola (from George White's "Scandals").
Fox-Trot—
According To The Moonlight (from George White's "Scandals").
Harry Rosenthal and His Orch.
Fox-Trots—
When April Comes Again.
With All My Heart (film 'Her Master's Voice').
Jack Payne and His Band.
Fox-Trots—
Weary (from 'Broadway Hostess').
Let It Be Me (from 'Broadway Hostess').
Joe Sander and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—
Pennies From Heaven (from the film).
The Skeleton In The Cupboard (film 'Pennies from Heaven').
Teddy Foster and His Kings of Swing.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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♦ K J 5 4 2
♣ A
♠ A
K 10 7 4
♥ 9 6
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ 8 7 6
A 8
♥ 8 7
♦ K 3
♣ K Q J 10 9 5 3
The bidding:
South West North East
1♣ 1♦ 1♠ 2♦
3♣ Pass 3♥ Pass
3NT Dbl. Redbl. Pass
Pass Pass

tract. In spite of Mr. Wainwright's freak distribution, a game contract in any suit could have been defeated.

You were Howard Schenken's partner yesterday and held:

♥ Q 9 7 6 4 3
♦ —
♣ 9 8 5 4
♠ A Q 2

The opponents were vulnerable, you were not. The bidding:
Maier Schenken Jacoby You
Pass Pass 1♥ Dbl.
Pass 2NT Pass (?)

ANSWER: Of course the correct answer is that you shouldn't have doubled in the first place. However, having doubled and thereby conveyed misinformation, you must now pass. Your partner's two notrump bid should indicate enough strength so that the opponents can make no game. By passing you show you have made an unsound bid, and if your partner is doubled at two notrump you can now run to three spades.

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You are Oswald Jacoby's partner and hold:

♥ A K x
♦ Q 10 x x x
♣ 10 x x
♠ K x

The bidding:

You Maier Jacoby Burnstine
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass
(?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

Any time a player has 6-5 distribution and a good hand, he is likely to bid his suits forever, when his partner opens the bidding. However, when West doubled three notrump, Stuyvesant Wainwright, sitting North, reviewed the bidding and said to himself: "West is doubling so as to drive me into a suit. My partner has been able to bid up to three clubs without the Ace. I am going to gamble this out at notrump." Hence, the redouble.

West opened his fourth-best diamond. East won with the Ace and returned the suit. Declarer won with the King, led over to dummy's Ace of clubs, returned to his hand with the Ace of spades. He did not dare lead the diamond, but re-

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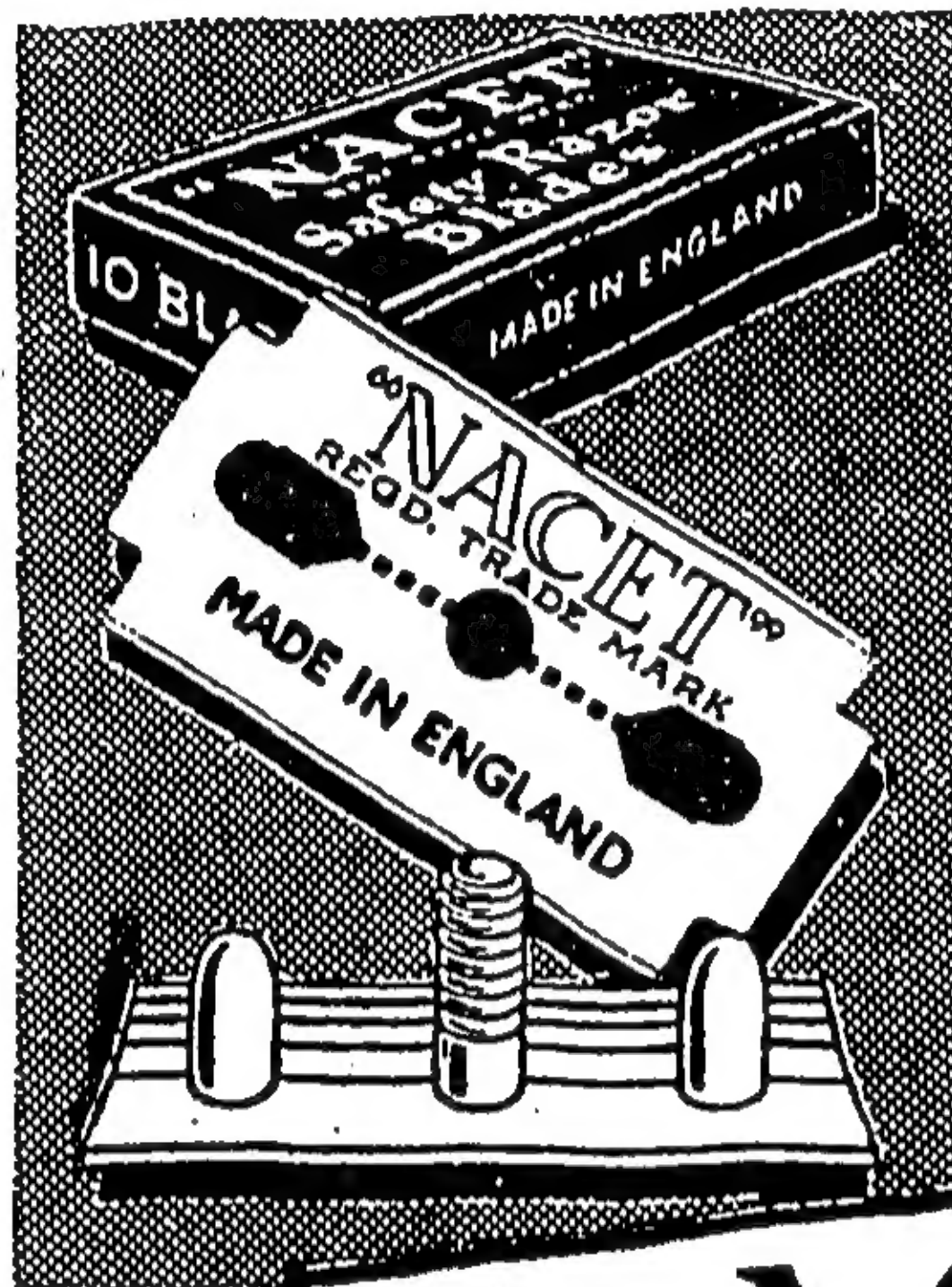
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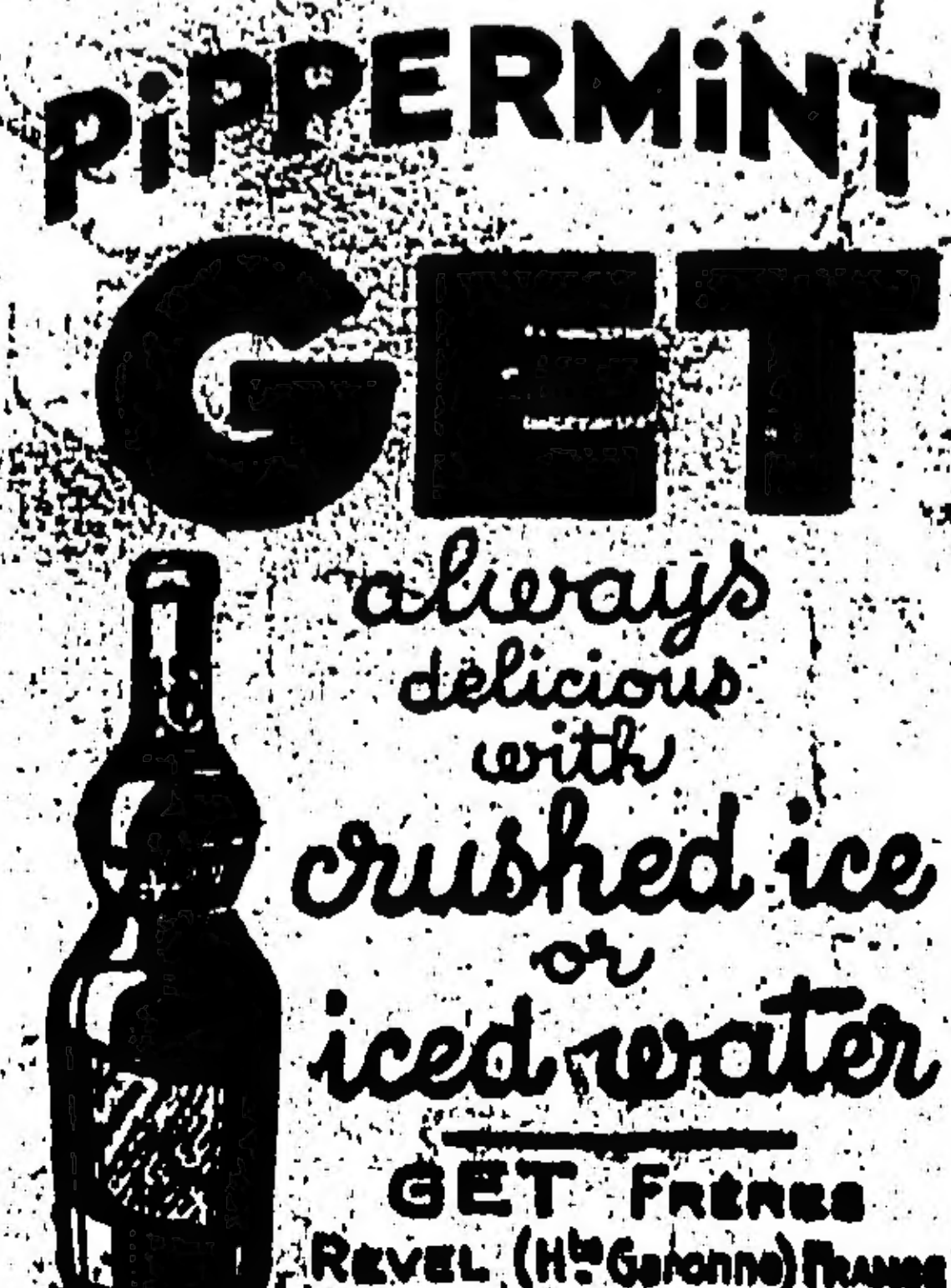
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Cologne, To-day.

Herr Hitler arrived at Aachen this morning unexpectedly; he is to inspect in detail the western fortifications. — Reuter.

IT RARELY IF EVER FAILS

Before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, Chan Cheong was charged with larceny.

Inspector Mair told the Court that defendant went to No. 204 Queen's Road West, a goldsmith's shop, asked to see some gold bangles, and selecting one valued at \$145, ordered it to be delivered to No. 33 Hill Road.

The gold bangle was handed over to defendant in Hill Road. Defendant told the foki to wait and disappeared.

The premises in Hill Road were occupied by Sing Song girls.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

BULGARIAN BORDER AFFAIR INDIGNATION

Sofia, To-day.

The serious incident in the Dobruja region, when Bulgarians were fired upon and killed by Rumanian frontier guards, has aroused indignation throughout Bulgaria.

Although the papers have refrained from reporting the incident, street demonstrations have occurred in Varna, Rushtuk and other towns.

The Premier received the British and Italian Ministers on Saturday. A strong Bulgarian protest in Bucharest is expected. — Trans-Ocean.

CHILD KILLED

As a sequel to an accident in which he killed a child who was sitting at the side of the road, Ho Sing Hoi, lorry driver, was charged to-day with driving without due care and caution.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Scrim, prosecuting, said the defendant was reversing his lorry, and not being able to see clearly behind him, had run over a three year old child.

The case was remanded to May 18 on \$200 bail.

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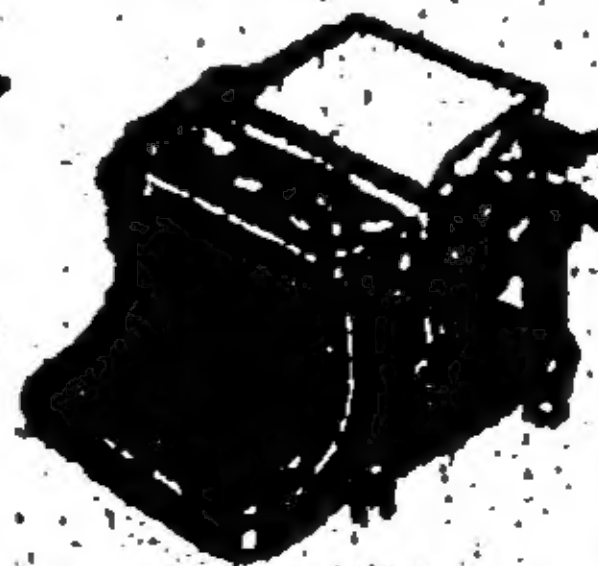
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